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# REPORTS

53<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION

NORTH CAROLINA  
STATE

NURSES' ASSOCIATION



THEME

"EXPLORING OUR CREATIVE TENSIONS"

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.

NOVEMBER 1-4, 1955





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REPORT OF HEADQUARTERS' OFFICE  
of the  
NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION  
601 Capital Club Building, Raleigh, N. C.  
October 1, 1954 - September 30, 1955  
Mrs. Marie B. Noell, R. N., Executive Secretary

Membership as of December 31, 1954 - - - - -	3,581
Membership as of September 30, 1955 - - - - -	3,525
Letters written - - - - -	4,788
Cards written - - - - -	553
Packages dispatched - - - - -	611
Membership transfers:	
From one state nurses' association to another - - - - -	45
From one district nurses' association to another - - - - -	20
<u>History of Nursing in North Carolina</u> - copies sold - - - - -	1
Conferences recorded - - - - -	127

Many conferences have been held with officers, chairmen of committees and members of the Association, the sections and district associations; legal counsel; legislators; Governor of North Carolina; insurance agent; leaders of allied organizations, etc. Conferences were held in Raleigh and in other sections of the state.

Field Work Done By Executive Secretary

Districts Ten, Eleven, Thirteen, Nineteen, and Twenty-four were visited. Visits included addressing the district and section members, institutes for district officers, hospital visits, and visiting health departments.

Field Work Done By Assistant Executive Secretary

Districts Fourteen, Nineteen, and Twenty-four were visited. Visits included talks to districts, hospital visits, section meetings, and health departments.

Meetings Attended By Executive Secretary

National

Executive Committee, Special Groups Section, ANA, New York, November 11-13, 1954, and September 19-21, 1955.  
ANA Advisory Council, New York, January 25, 26, 1955.  
Executive Secretaries' Conference, East Lansing, Michigan, February 28 - March 2, 1955.  
ANA Regional Workshop for SNA Section Representatives, Miami Beach, Florida, April 20-22, 1955.

Regional

Board of Directors, Southern Division of ANA, New York, January 25, 1955;  
Hot Springs, Arkansas, June 14, 1955.  
Fourteenth Biennial Convention, Southern Division of ANA, Hot Springs, Arkansas, June 15, 16, 1955.

State

Board of Directors, North Carolina Tuberculosis Association, Wilson, October 8, 1954; Jamestown, September 28, 1955.  
Annual Workshop of Conference for Social Service, Raleigh, October 12, 1954.  
Continuing Committee on Nursing and Nursing Education of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Raleigh, October 22, 1954.  
Annual Convention, NCSNA, Durham, October 25-29, 1954.



Board of Directors, NCSNA, Durham, October 26, 30, 1954; Asheville, March 29, 1955.

Executive Board, SNANC, Durham, October 26, 1954; Asheville, March 30, 1955.

Annual Meeting, SNANC, Durham, October 27, 1954.

North Carolina Woman's Council, Chapel Hill, November 4, 1954.

Planning Committee for Fifth Annual Conference on World Affairs, Chapel Hill, November 4, 1954.

Executive Board of State Legislative Council, Raleigh, November 8, December 13, 1954; February 7, and June 1, 1955.

NLN Conference on Nurse Aid In-service Training Program, Raleigh, November 8, 1954.

State Legislative Council, Raleigh, November 9, 1954; February 7, and June 1, 1955.

School of Nursing Committee of the Medical Foundation of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, November 16, 1954, and April 12, 1955.

The Governor's Commission on Safety, Raleigh, December 3, 1954.

Committee to Study the Nursing Needs of the Mentally Ill in North Carolina, Raleigh, December 15, 1954.

Institute on Problems in Nursing, sponsored by the North Carolina Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education, and NCLN, Raleigh, December 16, 1954.

Institute for District Officers: Wilmington, January 10; Kinston, January 12; Roanoke Rapids, January 14; Lenoir, January 18; Concord, January 20; and Sanford, February 2, 1955.

North Carolina Health Council, Raleigh, February 3, 1955.

Institute on Legislation, State Legislative Council, Raleigh, February 8, 1955.

Fifth Annual Conference on World Affairs, Chapel Hill, February 10, 1955.

Governor's Commission on Employment of the Physically Handicapped, Raleigh, February 11, 1955.

Citizens' Advisory Council WUNC - TV (Channel 4), Raleigh, February 24, 1955.

Annual Convention, NCLN, Asheville, March 31 - April 1, 1955.

Steering Committee on Health, Conference for Social Service, Raleigh, March 8, 1955.

Legislative and Casefinding Committee, North Carolina Tuberculosis Association, Raleigh, March 18, 1955.

Coordinating Council, NCSNA and NCLN, Asheville, March 30, 1955.

Subcommittee on Health Insurance, North Carolina Conference on Social Welfare, Raleigh, April 15, 1955; September 13, 1955.

North Carolina Conference for Social Service, Winston-Salem, April 24-26, 1955.

North Carolina Mental Health Association, Winston-Salem, April 25, 1955.

Committee on Program, SNANC, Raleigh, May 9, 1955.

Joint Meeting of North Carolina Educational Television and Radio Commission, (Channel 4) Citizens Advisory Council, the commercial telecasters of North Carolina, and University Administration, Chapel Hill, June 2, 1955.

NCSNA State-wide Conference for Section Members, Durham, June 9, 1955.

Workshop conducted by North Carolina Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education, and Curriculum Committee of the NLN, Durham, June 10, 1955.

Annual Meeting, North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, Raleigh, June 23, 1955.

Steering Committee on Nominations, Private Duty Section, Raleigh, August 2, 1955.

Study Committee, State Legislative Council, Raleigh, September 15, 1955.

Finance Committee, State Legislative Council, Raleigh, September 16, 1955.

#### Committees of NCSNA

Committee on Finance, Raleigh, October 6, 1954.







Study Committee of Committee to Study the Nursing Needs of the Mentally Ill in North Carolina, Chapel Hill, February 10, 1955.  
Committee on Program, Public Relations and Membership, Asheville, March 28, 1955.  
PC&PS Committee of the Board, Asheville, March 29, 1955.  
Committee on Arrangements, Winston-Salem, April 26, 1955.  
Subcommittee on Program, Raleigh, May 10, 1955.  
Committee on Registry and Registrars, Raleigh, May 27, 1955.  
Executive Committee, General Duty Section, Durham, June 8, 1955.  
Committee on Nominations, General Duty Section, Raleigh, July 22, 1955.  
Committee on Nominations, Private Duty Section, Raleigh, August 2, 1955.  
Joint Special Committee re Head Nurses, INSA and General Duty Sections, Raleigh, September 8, 1955.

#### Meetings Attended By Assistant Executive Secretary

##### National

ANA Regional Workshop for SNA Section Representatives, Miami Beach, Florida, April 20-22, 1955.

##### State

Annual Convention, NCSNA, Durham, October 25-29, 1954.  
Board of Directors, NCSNA, Durham, October 26, 30, 1954; Asheville, March 29, 1955.  
Coordinating Council, NCSNA and NCLN, Asheville, March 30, 1955.  
Executive Board, SNANC, Asheville, March 30, 1955.  
Annual Convention, NCLN, Asheville, March 31 - April 1, 1955.  
EACT Section Workshop on FS&Q, Chapel Hill, April 15, 1955.  
North Carolina Industrial Safety Conference, Winston-Salem, May 19-20, 1955.  
NCSNA State-wide Conference for Section Members, Durham, June 9, 1955.  
Workshop conducted by North Carolina Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education, and Curriculum Committee of the NLN, Durham, June 10, 1955.  
Institute on Student Faculty Government, SNANC, Rex Hospital, Raleigh, June 29, 1955.  
Committee on Program, SNANC, Raleigh, May 9, 1955.

##### Committees of NCSNA

Committee on Finance, Raleigh, October 6, 1954.  
Committee on Program, Public Relations and Membership, Asheville, March 29, 1955.  
Subcommittee on Program, Raleigh, May 10, 1955.  
Committee on Registry and Registrars, Raleigh, May 27, 1955.  
Committee on Nominations, Raleigh, June 7, 1955.  
Executive Committee, General Duty Section, Durham, June 8, 1955.  
Committee on Nominations, General Duty Section, Raleigh, July 22, 1955.  
Committee on Nominations, Private Duty Section, Raleigh, August 2, 1955.  
Joint Special Committee re Head Nurses, INSA and General Duty Sections, Raleigh, September 8, 1955.

##### Miscellaneous

Prepared copy and edited all issues of Tar Heel Nurse, official organ of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.  
Made preparations for Fifty-first and Fifty-second Annual Convention.  
Prepared Annual Convention Reports.  
Attended unveiling of Portrait of Ruth Hay, Professor of Public Health Nursing, School of Public Health, UNC, Chapel Hill, October 24, 1954.  
Prepared and distributed material for new district officers, including the Manual for District Officers.



Dispatched informative material to members of Board of Directors, NCSNA;  
 district and section officers; alumnae presidents; registrars; and chairmen  
 of committees.  
 Attended Federation Coffee Hour for Mrs. Luther H. Hodges, Raleigh, January  
 13, 1955.  
 Attended meetings of Trade Association Executives, January 21, and May 13,  
 1955.  
 Attended Governor's "June is Dairy Month Breakfast", Raleigh, June 3, 1955.  
 Attended graduation, UNC School of Nursing, Chapel Hill, June 6, 1955.  
 Conducted Professional Adjustments class, seniors, UNC School of Nursing,  
 Headquarters' Office, Raleigh, March 17, 1955.  
 Made statistical compilation of membership in NCSNA by districts and sections.  
 Surveyed districts re private duty fees.  
 Surveyed N. C. hospitals re salaries and personnel policies.  
 Assisted the Planning Committee with preparations for NCSNA State-wide con-  
 ference for Section Members.  
 Attended (Executive Secretary), as a member of Governor's Commission on Employ-  
 ment of the Physically Handicapped, the ceremony in Washington, D. C., May .  
 23, 1955; at which time President Eisenhower presented the President's  
 Trophy to Judge Sam Cathy of Asheville - National award for the outstanding  
 handicapped citizens in the country.  
 Assisted with preparation for special meetings to be held during the Convention  
 for office nurses and head nurses.

REPORT OF COUNSELING AND PLACEMENT SERVICE OFFICE  
 of the  
 NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION  
 601 Capital Club Building, Raleigh, N. C.  
 October 1, 1954 - September 30, 1955  
 Helen E. Peeler, R. N., Counselor

Nurse Application Forms sent out - - - - -	962
Nurse Application Forms received - - - - -	431
Job Description Forms sent out - - - - -	94
Job Description Forms received - - - - -	139
Confidential Notices of Vacancies referred to applicants - - -	134
Total number of interviews - - - - -	292
Professional nurses - - - - -	187
Student nurses - - - - -	39
Practical nurses - - - - -	5
Prospective student nurses - - - - -	6
Other interviews and conferences - - - - -	55
Total number of applications originally filed with N. C.	
PC&PS office - - - - -	2,542
Total number of open positions for nurses on file - - - - -	430
Total number of biographies submitted to employers - - - - -	224
Total number of biographies submitted to professional registries - - - - -	193
Total number of biographies crossfiled with National Office and other State Counselors - - - - -	63
Total number of positions filled - - - - -	59
Total number of registrants placed - - - - -	61
Total number of registrants accepting non PC&PS positions and biography used - - - - -	28
Pieces of outgoing mail - - - - -	4,669





### Field Work

Eighteen special counseling days in the districts--two in District One, three District Three, four in District Five, one in District Six, two in District Eight, one in District Nine, two in District Twelve, one in District Fourteen, and two in District Fifteen.

Attended monthly meetings of Districts Eight, Eleven and Thirteen.

Talked with eight Professional Adjustments II Classes on membership in NCSNA, PC&PS and other programs. Met with one school of nursing committee to study revisions of student government bylaws.

Visited many hospitals and health departments while doing field work and discussed membership in NCSNA, its activities and programs.

### Meetings Attended By Counselor

#### National

Board of Directors of the American Journal of Nursing Company, New York, January 29 and 31, 1955.

Stockholders of the American Journal of Nursing Company, New York, January 31, 1955.

ANA Committees - Executive Committee of the American Journal of Nursing Company, October 7, and the Special Committee to Study the Utilization of Profits of the American Journal of Nursing Company, October 8, 1955, New York; ANA PC&PS Committee to Develop Long Range Plans for PC&PS, New York, December 6, 7, 1954; ANA Subcommittee on Program, Chicago, March 16, 1955; ANA Special Committee on Development of Policies re ANA Membership and Participation in Programs of Other Organizations, New York, August 15, 16, 1955.

#### State

Continuing Committee of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Raleigh, October 8, 1954.

Annual Convention, NCSNA, Durham, October 25-29, 1954.

Board of Directors, NCSNA, Durham, October 26, 30, 1954; Asheville, March 29, 1955.

Executive Board, SNANC, Durham, October 26, 1954; Asheville, March 30, 1955.

Annual Meeting, SNANC, Durham, October 27, 1954.

The Governor's Commission on Safety, Raleigh, December 3, 1954.

Planning Committee for Institute on Problems in Nursing, Raleigh, December 13, 1954.

Committee to Study the Nursing Needs of the Mentally Ill in North Carolina, Raleigh, December 15, 1954.

Institute on Problems in Nursing, sponsored by the North Carolina Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education, and NCLN, Raleigh, December 16, 1954. Served as coordinator for Institute.

Institutes for District Officers: Wilmington, January 10; Kinston, January 12; Roanoke Rapids, January 14; Lenoir, January 18; Concord, January 20; and Sanford, February 2, 1955.

Institute on Legislation, State Legislative Council, Raleigh, February 8, 1955.

Study Committee of Committee to Study the Nursing Needs of the Mentally Ill in North Carolina, Chapel Hill, February 10, 1955.

Coordinating Council of NCSNA and NCLN, Asheville, March 30, 1955.

Annual Meeting of NCLN, Asheville, March 31 and April 1, 1955.

EACT Section Workshop on FS&Q, Chapel Hill, April 15, 1955.

Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Licensed Practical Nurse Association, Durham, May 23, 1955. Served as parliamentarian for closing business session.

NCSNA State-wide Conference for section members, Durham, June 9, 1955.



Workshop conducted by North Carolina Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education, and Curriculum Committee of the NLN, Durham, June 10, 1955.  
Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, Raleigh, June 23, 1955.  
Institute on "Student Government Association" sponsored by the SNANC, Raleigh, June 25, 1955.  
Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Hospital Association, Asheville, July 7, 8, 1955.  
North Carolina Woman's Council, Chapel Hill, July 21, 1955.

#### Committees of NCSNA

Committee on Finance, Raleigh, October 6, 1954.  
Committee on Legislation, Raleigh, February 11, 1955.  
Committee on Promotion of ANA Program, Public Relations and Membership, Asheville, March 28, 29, 1955.  
PC&PS Committee of the Board, Asheville, March 29, 1955.  
Subcommittee on Program, Raleigh, May 10, 1955.  
Committee on Registry and Registrars, May 27, 1955.  
Committee on Nominations, Raleigh, June 7, 1955.  
Executive Committee, General Duty Section, Durham, June 8, 1955.  
Committee on Nominations, General Duty Section, Raleigh, July 22, 1955.

#### Committee of Student Nurse Association of North Carolina

Committee on Program, Raleigh, May 9, 1955.  
Committee on Nominations, Raleigh, July 19, 1955.  
Committee on Rules, Raleigh, July 28, 1955.

#### Miscellaneous Work

Dispatched pamphlets and other materials relating to PC&PS including PC&PS Manual.  
Attended the unveiling of Portrait of Ruth Hay, Professor of Public Health Nursing, School of Public Health, UNC, Chapel Hill, October 24, 1954.  
Attended the Annual Meeting of the Wake County Tuberculosis Association, Raleigh, November 18, 1954.  
Held many conferences with officers of the SNANC regarding Association activities.  
Sent 225 letter-questionnaires to 1954 graduates regarding information needed to complete PC&PS biographies.  
Attended meeting of the Trade Association Executives, Raleigh, January 21, 1955.  
Met with the members of the Registry Committee and Board of Directors of one district, officers, chairmen of registry committees, and registrars of several other districts to discuss problems within the district and registry, and the administration of the registry.  
Attended graduation, UNC School of Nursing, Chapel Hill, June 6, 1955.  
Sent 265 letters to employers of nurses regarding PC&PS, membership and nursing staff attending the Convention.  
Attended the meeting of the Committee on Evaluation of the Professional Counseling and Placement Service, Pennsylvania State Nurses' Association, as a state consultant, Philadelphia, September 16, 17, 1955.  
Sent letter to all newly registered professional nurses relative to membership in NCSNA and the use of PC&PS.  
Prepared articles on PC&PS for the Tar Heel Nurse.  
Conferred with chairman of district PC&PS committees regarding the activities of their committees and the use of the PC&PS Manual prepared for district officers and committee members.  
Administered the League Qualifying Examination to one registered professional nurse.





REPORT OF TREASURER  
Mrs. Eva W. Warren, R. N.

Balance, September 30, 1954 - - - - -	\$ 10,810.42
Composed of:	
Checking Account (Durham Bank & Trust Co.) - -	\$ 5,556.42
U. S. War Bonds (cost) - - - - -	5,254.00
Receipts, October 1, 1954 - September 30, 1955 - - - - -	69,205.55
Total Receipts and Balance - - - - -	<u>80,015.97</u>
Disbursements, October 1, 1954 - September 30, 1955 - - - - -	68,776.71
Balance, September 30, 1955 - - - - -	11,239.26
Composed of:	
Checking Account (Durham Bank & Trust Co.) - -	\$ 5,985.26
U. S. War Bonds (cost) - - - - -	5,254.00
Total Balance - - - - -	\$ 11,239.26

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION  
Flora Wakefield, R. N., Representative  
N. C. State Nurses' Association on the N. C. Medical Care Commission

The major activity of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission has been the construction and equipment of hospitals and health centers.

Since 1947 the Commission had sponsored 192 construction projects of which 89 were local general hospitals - 43 new hospitals and 46 additions to existing hospitals; 37 nurses' residences to serve hospitals and 57 health centers to provide quarters for the activities of county health departments. The 89 hospitals are serving local or county communities and have provided 4,675 new beds for patients. Nine of the 192 projects are state-owned hospital facilities. They will provide a total of 727 new beds for patients. This makes a total of 5,402 new hospital beds.

The 192 construction projects approved by the Commission during the seven years have required the encumbrance of approximately \$77,000,000, of which the United States Government supplied about \$27,000,000, the State \$15,000,000, and the local communities \$35,000,000.

The U. S. Congress in 1954 expanded the Hill-Burton Hospital construction program to include (1) diagnostic and treatment centers for ambulatory patients (2) chronic disease hospital facilities (3) rehabilitation facilities and (4) nursing homes federal funds to the extent of fifty per cent of the cost of construction and equipping approvable facilities in these new fields will be available as soon as the Medical Care Commission can complete a state-wide inventory of the existing facilities in these fields.

Included in the federal hospital construction appropriation approved by the President on August 3, 1955, was an appropriation of \$21,000,000 for the four new type facilities. North Carolina's share of this amount is \$707,120.

The 1955 North Carolina Legislature failed to make an appropriation of state funds to be used for construction of hospitals or for the new facilities included in the 1954 program. However, the Commission has a balance of \$1,000,000 that is being used to continue the projects that have been approved.



The Legislature was urged to increase the indigent care appropriation so that \$2.00 per day, rather than \$1.50, could be paid to hospitals for the care of patients certified as medically indigent by county welfare superintendents. This request was not granted. Moreover, the Commission's annual appropriation for this activity was reduced from \$375,000.00 to \$325,000.00.

During 1954 the North Carolina Medical Care Commission granted aid to 128 hospitals at \$1.50 per day per patient toward the cost of the hospital care of 18,239 indigents who required 206,138 days of care. This involved an expenditure by the Commission of \$309,207.00 for the year.

The Student Loan Fund received more favorable consideration by the 1955 Legislature and an appropriation of \$300,000.00 for the next biennium was made - \$275,000.00 for the Rural Loan Fund and \$25,000.00 for the Psychiatric Fund. As of September 15, 1955, there were eighty-eight students using the Loan Fund and ten applications were being processed. Of the eighty-eight students using the fund, fifty-eight were medical students, eighteen dental, eight pharmacy, and nine nursing students. The nine nurses using the Rural Fund are enrolled in three collegiate schools and six in hospital schools.

The Psychiatric Fund has not been used by nurses.

The 1955 Legislature authorized the North Carolina Medical Care Commission to extend its responsibility for licensing local general hospitals to include, also, the licensing of nursing homes or convalescent homes. The primary purpose of these homes is to provide medical and nursing care for mildly ill patients.

During the past eight years much progress has been made in North Carolina in meeting the need for medical and hospital facilities which has meant better care for the sick and better working conditions for the people who are providing the care. With the rapid increase in population and with people living longer, a substantial need for more medical facilities and better hospitals will continue for many years.

CONTINUING COMMITTEE ON NURSING AND NURSING EDUCATION IN NORTH CAROLINA  
Lelia R. Clark, R. N., NCSNA Representative

The North Carolina Committee on Nursing and Nursing Education has held its regular quarterly meetings in the Conference Room of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Raleigh, North Carolina, during the past year.

Officers elected for the year beginning July 1, 1955 are: Dr. J. S. Lichty, Chairman; Mr. Julian Allsbrook, Vice-chairman; Dr. H. L. Brockmann, Secretary; and Miss Joyce Warren, Assistant Secretary.

The following are the Subcommittees appointed by the chairman for the year 1955-56: School of Professional Nursing - Dr. William P. Richardson, Chairman, Mr. George P. Harris, Dr. James E. Hill, and Mrs. Mary King Kneeder; Schools of Practical Nursing - Miss Joyce Warren, Chairman, Miss Hazel Taylor, Mrs. Ada Jarnigan, and Dr. Charles F. Carroll; Scholarship and Loan Funds - Mr. Julian R. Allsbrook, Chairman, Hon. C. Settle Bunn, and Mrs. Willetta S. Jones; Public Relations and Recruitment - Miss Flora Wakefield, Chairman, Chancellor R. B. House, Mr. W. Stanley Moore, and Mrs. William C. Pressly; Nursing Care of the Patient - Miss Lelia R. Clark, Chairman, Mr. James M. DeVane, and Dr. David D. Jones.

The Chairman appointed a special committee to recommend names of persons to





replace vacancies on committees. Following members were appointed: Mr. Stanley Moore, Chairman, Miss Joyce Warren, and Mr. George Harris.

Several very interesting and stimulating reports have been given to the Committee at its various meetings. Miss Miriam Daughtry and Miss Vivian Culver from the North Carolina Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education reported in April and July respectively. In December 1954 there were 2,718 students enrolled in the professional schools in North Carolina; ten professional schools have one hundred students each and fifteen schools now have temporary accreditation from the National Accrediting Agency. It was felt that the well planned publicity program with regard to schools for the degree program had helped considerable in recruiting. In the schools for practical nurses in the state there are approximately 189 students enrolled. It was pointed out that the trained practical nurse has much to offer to the program of patient care in North Carolina and that relationships between the practical and graduate nurse group is improving. There was a definite feeling that practical nurses licensed by waiver should have more preparation.

Senator C. Settle Bunn, a new member of the Committee, reviewed the status of laws dealing with nursing before the Legislature. He reported that the Legislature had failed to act favorably upon the pending revision of the law prohibiting anyone from taking the practical nurse examination, except those who had special training of a specific period in a practical school of nursing; however, the North Carolina General Assembly took action later to revise the bill and the amendment to delete the waiver clause became law in May, 1955.

Mrs. Willetta Jones, Dean of the School of Nursing, A&T College, Greensboro, North Carolina, gave a comprehensive report on the background of development and progress of the School of Nursing at A&T College. She reported that the students are getting their clinical experience at Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital and L. Richardson Memorial Hospital in Greensboro. Mrs. Jones said that development of the program had been a challenging experience.

Mr. Graham Davis, representing the Richardson Foundation, presented a most interesting report on the Negro in Nursing in North Carolina. The present situation and the needs for bringing about progress of the Negro in Nursing were discussed by the members of the committee.

Chairman of the Committee on Public Relations and Recruitment, reported having received a letter from Mr. Murray Thornburg of the State Department of Public Instruction regarding Senate Bill 929 "To Provide for Aid to the States in the Fields of Practical Nursing and Auxiliary Hospital Personnel Services". Members of the committee reported that telegrams and letters were sent to Senators Scott and Ervin requesting favorable action.

Three members of the committee, Miss Joyce Warren, Miss Flora Wakefield, and Mr. George Harris, participated in a panel discussion "Progress Related to Nursing in North Carolina", at the annual meeting of the North Carolina League for Nursing in April. North Carolina nurses were encouraged with the progress made in nursing during the past five years. And, at the same time, were impressed with the necessity for even greater improvement during the next five years.

Projects and plans for the year were discussed at the July meeting. It was thought by the Committee that the relationship with the Medical Care Commission should be strengthened and that Dr. Ferrell, Executive Officer of the Commission, should be invited to attend each meeting.



The Committee is aware of the value of working more closely with the North Carolina League for Nursing, represented on the committee by Mrs. Willetta Jones, and efforts to promote closer relationships will be made. The members of the committee also recognize that they should help with the problem of funds for Nursing Education, both from government and private agencies. Efforts toward this end will be made during the year.

The committee was informed about nursing and nursing education in North Carolina through representatives of the professional organizations, the Medical Care Commission and the North Carolina Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Elizabeth F. Long, R. N., Chairman

Other members of this Committee are: Sadye T. Whitley, R. N., Asheville, and Bettie R. Baise, R. N., Durham.

This Committee has not met during the year. Six districts presented proposed revisions of district bylaws for approval. Since these proposed revisions followed very closely, the model form for bylaws of district nurses' associations as approved by the 1954 Committee and conformed with the Bylaws of NCSNA, it did not seem necessary to call a meeting of this Committee.

No proposals for changes in section rules have been received.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mrs. Eva W. Warren, R. N., Chairman

Other members of this Committee are: Mrs. Dorothy J. Cheshire, R. N., Winston-Salem, and Mrs. Nan B. Cummings, R. N., Asheboro.

The Committee met in Raleigh on October 10, 1955 for the purpose of reviewing the expenditures and studying the budgetary needs of the Association for the year October 1, 1955, to September 30, 1956. The budget was formulated and submitted to the Board of Directors of the Association for consideration at the annual meeting on November 1, 1955.

The income, budget and expenditures of the Association for the past year (October 1, 1954 - September 30, 1955) are as follows:

#### RECEIPTS

Membership dues - 1954 - - - - -	\$ 1,215.00
Membership dues - 1955 - - - - -	52,950.00
Annual Convention:	
Registration fees - - - - -	1,204.00
Banquet - - - - -	825.00
Luncheon - - - - -	175.00
Tar Heel Nurse - Advertisement - - - - -	119.98
American Nurses' Foundation (Research grant for study of Psychiatric Nursing Functions) - -	9,853.80
Refund of former Assistant Executive Secretary's travel - - - - -	116.22
Lee Parker Scholarship - - - - -	150.00
Loan - Security National Bank of Raleigh - - - - -	2,000.00





Mary Mills, Member District Eleven, Beirut, Lebanon -	25.00
N. C. Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing	
Education (sale of conference room furniture	
and duplicator) - - - - -	350.00
Conference for Section Members (Registration Fee) - -	99.00
Miscellaneous (refund for supplies and insurance,	
sale of nursing codes, cancellation	
of checks) - - - - -	122.55
Total - - - - -	\$69,205.55
Balance on hand, October 1, 1954 - - - - -	5,556.42
TOTAL - - - - -	\$74,761.97

EXPENDITURES	Budgeted 10-1-54 to 9-30-55	Expended 10-1-54 to 9-30-55
ADMINISTRATION:		
Auditing of Accounts - - - - -	\$ 175.00	\$ 156.12
Bonding of Treasurer - - - - -	40.00	37.50
Headquarters' Office (Ins., Rent, Postage, Telephone, Supplies, P. O. Box, Repair Service) - - - - -	6,200.00	5,349.62
Taxes (Federal Insurance Contributions Act) - - - - -	445.00	351.50
Subscription and books - - - - -	50.00	29.46
BANK LOAN:		
Loan - - - - -		*2,000.00
Interest on Loan - - - - -		20.00
CONVENTIONS:		
NCSNA (General Convention Expenses plus Travel for Speakers and Banquet and Luncheon Food) - - - - -	2,500.00	1,661.46
DUES:		
ANA @ \$5.00 per capita - - - - -	18,000.00	18,040.00
N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs - - - - -	20.00	
N. C. Health Council - - - - -	10.00	10.00
N. C. Family Life Council - -	10.00	10.00
N. C. Conference for Social Service - - - - -		10.00
N. C. Women's Council - - - -		2.00
Southern States Nurses' Association - - - - -	144.00	71.62
State Legislative Council - -	50.00	50.00
GRANT:		
Grant to UNC, Institute for Research in Social Service - -		*9,853.80
PERMANENT FIXTURES:		
Office furniture & equipment -	500.00	1,256.27
SALARIES:		
Professional Staff - - - - -	14,920.00	12,580.00
Clerical Staff - - - - -	7,260.00	7,249.00



SCHOLARSHIP:

Payment to recipient of Lee Parker Scholarship - - - -	*150.00
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SECTIONS:

Appropriation for sections - -	1,680.00	1,027.88
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SPECIAL SERVICES:

Legal Counsel - - - - -	600.00	600.00
Parliamentarian - - - - -	60.00	55.93
Honorarium for Treasurer - - -	350.00	350.00
Reporting Meetings - - - - -	400.00	272.12

TAR HEEL NURSE:

Four issues - - - - -	3,000.00	2,901.40
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TRAVEL:

NCSNA Officers & Committee Members - - - - -	2,100.00	1,220.42
District Representatives for Institutes - - - - -		191.83
Field Work for Headquarters' Staff - - - - -	2,340.00	1,995.00

MISCELLANEOUS:

	300.00	
NCSNA Bylaws & Section Rules -		874.90
Cost of Moving Headquarters'		
Office, December 1954 - - - -		106.15
Refund of Membership Dues - -		285.00
Others - - - - -		7.73

TOTAL

\$61,104.00

\$68,776.71

\* Research Grant of \$9,853.80; Lee Parker Scholarship of \$150.00; and Loan of \$2,000.00 - Sum Total of \$12,003.80 not budgeted in 1955.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION  
Mrs. Margaret B. Dolan, R. N., Chairman

Members of the NCSNA Committee on Legislation Are: Mrs. W. F. Raulston, R. N., Greensboro; Mrs. A. H. Thompson, R. N., Rocky Mount; Mrs. Beverly W. Knight, R. N., Winston-Salem; Dorothy Boone, R. N., Raleigh; Louise Taylor, R. N., Gastonia; and Mrs. Margaret B. Dolan, R. N., Chapel Hill.

The Committee met in Headquarters' Office in Raleigh on February 11. On the same day, the members of the Committee participated in a conference with Honorable Settle Bunn, North Carolina Senator; Mrs. Edith Brocker, NCSNA President; Miss Josephine Kerr, NCSNA Director and past president; Mrs. Marie B. Noell, NCSNA Executive Secretary and Helen E. Peeler, NCSNA Counselor, about the feasibility of the Association attempting to secure state funds for nursing scholarships during the 1955 General Assembly.

The purpose of the conference was to consider the proposals of Senator William James, then pending in the General Assembly which pertained to state aid for the preparation of nurses; previous proposals of the NCSNA to secure state



funds for nursing scholarships; and the existing resources of student and graduate nurse education aid.

As a result of the conference, the Chairman of the Committee on Legislation and the NCSNA Executive Secretary participated in a breakfast conference on February 24 with Senator and Mrs. Settle Bunn, Senator J. C. Eagles Jr., Senator Claude Currie, and Senator Arthur Kirkman regarding the need for a state appropriation for nursing scholarships.

At the request of these North Carolina lawmakers, the following statement plus pertinent data was compiled in Headquarters' Office and sent to each one immediately:

The crux of the nursing problem in North Carolina is the shortage of nurses---the dearth of bedside nurses, of teachers of nursing students, of public health nurses.

There are more than one hundred professions and vocations open to young women. Information about the various careers for women is widely disseminated to teen-age girls by such media as radio, television, 4-H and similar clubs, conferences with high school and junior college counselors. These facts impede the constant and diligent program of recruitment.

The demand for nursing service continues to grow. The principal reasons seem to be: the spectacular progress in medical science; the expansion of hospital and public health facilities; the increasing population, due to high birth rate and longer life span; advancement in the areas of infant care, school health services and treatment of chronic diseases.

There are 31 hospital schools of nursing and 4 collegiate schools of nursing in North Carolina providing basic programs in nursing education, all of which are accredited by the North Carolina Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education which was created by the 1953 General Assembly. Many schools could increase their enrollments if some young women acceptable to the admission committees could have financial assistance.

As a result of many years of promotion of nursing scholarships, there are now 31 scholarships for students in North Carolina schools of nursing, 21 of which are UNC Medical Foundation scholarships for students at UNC School of Nursing.

Even though many nurses need additional study in order to teach student nurses and practice public health nursing and courses in these areas are available at Duke University, the University of North Carolina and North Carolina College, there is only one scholarship for graduate nurses (value \$150.00) and a small loan fund of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.

The General Statutes of North Carolina, Chapter 131-121, provide for educational loans to students in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and nursing, to be administered by the North Carolina Medical Care Commission.

The fact that a large majority of nursing students are young women





(18 to 24 years of age) makes their circumstances unique and distinctive in relation to financial obligations as outlined in the law and in the rules of the Medical Care Loan Fund.

Because of the following pertinent factors, strict adherence to the law would seem unfair to students of nursing:

1. At the time young women are enrolled in nursing schools they are in the age group which has the highest marriage rate. This deters many of them from assuming financial obligations which may impinge upon their opportunities for marriage and normal family life according to accepted customs.
2. Statistics reveal that more than one-third of each graduating class marry just prior to graduation or during their first year of practice. This would indicate that the nurse would need to practice her profession in the community where her husband is employed or established. This would make it impossible for her to fulfill the obligation, as stated in the law, of practicing her nursing profession in a North Carolina "rural community, town or village of less than 2,500 population for four years immediately following completion of her training".
3. The income of the nurse following graduation is in no way comparable to the income of the physician, dentist and pharmacist, all of whom are eligible for loans under the same provision. Therefore, precise adherence to the law as stated is not equitable.

According to a rough estimate by the North Carolina Research Department, based on North Carolina taxes paid last year, the general average income of physicians was \$12,000.00, of dentists was \$10,000.00, and of pharmacists was \$6,000.00.

According to the 1950 Census of Population, U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, the 1949 median income for nurses in North Carolina was \$1,771.00.

The Committee recommended and the NCSNA Board concurred that the NCSNA would welcome any legislation that would make financial assistance through loans and/or scholarships more easily available to nursing students. The 1955 North Carolina General Assembly adjourned, however, without taking any action to provide funds for nursing scholarships.

The support of the NCSNA was given to the Worthington Bill (H.B. 486) sponsored by the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education. This measure became law on May 25, 1955, and will terminate the waiver period for applicants eligible for practical nurse licensure by examinations after July 1, 1956. The measure also increased the fee for renewal of license to \$2.00.

The support of the NCSNA was also given to the four items on the program of the State Legislative Council of which the Nurses' Association is one of the nineteen member organizations. (published in December 1954 Tar Heel Nurse)

The support of the NCSNA was also given to the proposal which became law to have all convalescent homes licensed by the North Carolina Medical Care Commission





Throughout the year, careful consideration has been given to measures pending in Congress which would affect nursing and/or nurses. Copies of ANA Legislation News, a mimeographed bulletin published at frequent but at irregular intervals, have been sent to NCSNA Board members, legislative committee members, and district presidents. A report of pending federal legislation was published in the March 1955 and September 1955 issues of the Tar Heel Nurse.

Men nurses are now commissioned in the armed forces. President Eisenhower's signature on the Bolton amendment to the Army-Navy Nurses' Act of 1947 provides authorization for the appointment of qualified male personnel as commissioned officers for assignment to the Reserve Army, Navy and Air Force Nurse Corps.

The NCSNA Board of Directors in session in March 1955, studied the content of H. J. Resolution 171 introduced by Congresswoman Frances Payne Bolton (R. Ohio) which would establish a national commission on nursing services; weighed carefully the reasons which leaders of ANA and NLN had given for opposing the resolution; and voted to concur with the ANA Board of Directors decision to testify against the measure when the hearings were held.

A summary of H. J. Res. 171 is as follows: The bill proposes to set up a Commission of twelve persons; four appointed by the President, two of whom would be from the executive branch and two from private life; four appointed by the President of the Senate, two from the Senate and two from private life; and four appointed by the Speaker of the House, two from the House and two from private life. Of the six appointed from private life, there would be representatives of the nursing and medical professions.

As stated in the bill, the duties of this Commission would be:

Section 9. (a) The Commission shall gather by scientific methods authoritative data relating to nursing services of all types, including services performed by professional and practical nurses and nursing aides. In the gathering of such data and the making of such recommendations, the Commission shall give particular attention to the need for considering ways and means to -

- (1) clarify further the province of nursing personnel (including professional and practical nurses and nursing aides) with particular reference to the impact upon nursing of the changing functions of the related health professions and the changing health needs and resources of the Nation;
- (2) add systematically to the body of knowledge of nursing as a discipline and thus permit more of the practice of nursing to be based on scientific principles;
- (3) improve and extend our resources for the education and training of nursing personnel of each type for their appropriate functions; and
- (4) encourage more effective organization of nursing personnel and more effective utilization of their skills.

(b) The Commission shall submit to the Congress interim reports at such time or times as the Commission deems necessary and shall submit to the Congress its final report not later than two years from the date of the enactment of this joint resolution, at which time the Commission shall cease to exist.



The reasons for ANA opposition are:

1. Would not be in the best interests of nursing because it probably would present an obstacle to securing the enactment of much needed nursing legislation during and after the 84th Congress such as funds for nursing scholarship.
2. It is evident that the proposed commission in carrying out its functions would be duplicating the on-going activities of the national nursing organizations.
3. It is not exactly true that the efforts to deal with the nurse shortage have been mainly from the standpoint of increasing the number of nurses. There is ample proof of the profession's efforts to bring about a better utilization of the available and potential nurse supply. The completed studies and definitions of functions, and the development of nonprofessional nursing personnel, are examples that more than an increased number of nurses is needed.
4. The programs of ANA and NLN present not a segmental approach to solving problems in nursing, but a very comprehensive program for meeting the nursing needs of society.
5. Much is already being done by the ANA to clarify the province of the nurse. Our program of studies in nursing functions, the development of statements of functions by the sections of the ANA, the work on statements of functions of nonprofessional workers in nursing, and the work on the legal definition of nursing are all directed toward the clarification of the province of the nurse. All of this is done in full recognition of the changing health needs and resources of the nation. Every program of the ANA and NLN has as an underlying purpose the promotion of better health for the American people.
6. The application of science to the techniques and arts of nursing would appear to be the function of the profession itself and the educational system of the country rather than the function of a federal commission.
7. Since the ANA is discharging its responsibility in designating the appropriate functions of practitioners of nursing; and since one of the desired outcomes of this activity is the improvement of education to fit persons to perform those functions, it would seem unnecessary to establish a government commission to give special attention to the need to improve education and training of nursing personnel.
8. The enactment of the proposed legislation would, undoubtedly, delay for some time the successful conclusions of our efforts to secure government action in certain specific areas where we have clearly recognized needs. There is a danger that the establishment of the proposed commission could be used as an excuse for not appropriating funds for the salary survey and for the expansion of nursing programs in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. It would, undoubtedly, make it very difficult for us to secure the enactment of legislation for federal scholarships for graduate nurses.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS  
Mary Belle May, R. N., Chairman

Other members of this Committee are: Mrs. Bernadine Arey Clark, R. N.,





Durham; Mrs. Mary E. Finley, R. N., Concord; Eula E. Rackley, R. N., Lumberton; and Mrs. Jane H. Arnold, R. N., Kinston.

The Committee met on June 7, 1955, at Headquarters' Office in Raleigh to nominate officers for the North Carolina State Nurses' Association for 1956. Prior to this meeting, district associations were requested to send in suggestions. Thirteen of the districts responded.

It is a pleasure to give the following report of nominees for officers of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association for 1956:

President	Mrs. Edith P. Bocker	Chapel Hill
First Vice-President	Mrs. Edna S. Petty Mrs. Margaret B. Dolan	Gastonia Chapel Hill
Second Vice-President	Mrs. Rebecca B. Hobgood Julia Fisher	Wilson Greenville
Secretary	Dorothy Robinson Louise Yount	Charlotte Fayetteville
Treasurer	Mrs. Eva W. Warren Mrs. Isla C. Norfolk	Durham Fayetteville
Directors (elect 2)	Lake Allen Lucy Lopp Mrs. Edith W. Strunk Mrs. Frances Dowell Kiger Alma Kermon Mrs. Jessie R. Grogan	Greensboro High Point Kannapolis Winston-Salem Raleigh Leaksville
Committee on Nominations (elect 3)	Mrs. Mary Ruth Moore Griffin Martha M. Adams Mrs. Katherine Craig Mrs. Thelma C. Beia Amy Louise Fisher Mrs. Edith M. Greene	Rocky Mount Charlotte Black Mountain Wilmington Mount Pleasant New Bern

The following reports from the Sections of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association have been received and are herewith submitted:

<u>EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATORS, CONSULTANTS AND TEACHERS SECTION</u>		
First Vice-Chairman	Anne Scott Bland Mrs. Elizabeth Yarborough	Fayetteville Fayetteville
Secretary	Anne Pleasants White Linnea Henderson	Charlotte Chapel Hill
Executive Committee (elect one)	R. Winifred Heyward Mrs. Ila Usher	Greensboro Fayetteville
Committee on Nominations (elect 3)	Ruth Dalrymple Mrs. Marie Spruck Elizabeth Winstead	Chapel Hill Fayetteville Raleigh





### GENERAL DUTY SECTION

Chairman	Lorene R. Bates Mae Nordan	Durham Fayetteville
First Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Mae M. Spillar Mrs. Lillian J. Todd	Durham Raleigh
Second Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Margaret M. Scholl	Durham
Secretary	Mrs. Earline Riddle	Fayetteville
Executive Committee (elect two)	Deoma Farrington Mrs. Ruth M. Peters Marjorie Robinette Winnie M. Warren	Greensboro Fayetteville Swannanoa Concord
Committee on Nominations (elect 3)	Doris Grant Mrs. Ella F. Hargrave Mrs. Ella Rosier Mary A. Shepherd	Leicester Fayetteville Durham Asheville

### INDUSTRIAL SECTION

Chairman	Mildred Lee	Rocky Mount
First Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Audrey Stapleton	Guilford College
Second Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Elizabeth D. Harviel Mrs. Colin (Ruby) Hester	Reidsville Kernersville
Secretary	Mrs. Polly Tillman	Greensboro
Committee on Nominations (elect 3)	Mrs. Ione Bain Mrs. Anna D. Brewer Mrs. Caroline Dunn Mrs. Etta C. Horner Mrs. Mercer Smith Mrs. Erna Spach	Granite Falls Guilford Durham Burlington Kinston Winston-Salem

### INSTITUTIONAL NURSING SERVICE ADMINISTRATORS SECTION

Chairman	Mrs. Theresa L. Magruder	Dunn
First Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Edna Crook Mrs. Nell Rose Teachey	Fayetteville Goldsboro
Second Vice-Chairman	Mary Ethel Barfield Bernice L. Ellington	Lumberton Wilson
Secretary	Betty Taylor Mrs. Lucille Z. Williams	Albemarle Durham
Executive Committee (elect two)	Martha Adams Sister Mary James Eula Rackley	Charlotte Asheville Lumberton



Committee on  
Nominations (elect 3)

Beadie E. Britt  
Caroline Keller  
Mrs. Ada P. Leonard  
Mrs. Isla C. Norfolk  
Mrs. Rebecca Poythress

Wilmington  
Greensboro  
Fayetteville  
Fayetteville  
Wilson

PRIVATE DUTY SECTION

Chairman

V. Elisabeth Weaver

Charlotte

First Vice-Chairman

Mrs. Mozelle R. Baker

Greensboro

Second Vice-Chairman

Mrs. Barbara Kincaid  
Mary V. Reavis

Lenoir  
Winston-Salem

Secretary

Inez Finch

Wilson

Executive Committee  
(elect two)

Hazel Fields  
Mrs. Rachel Hill  
Mrs. Hazel Sessums

Greensboro  
Winston-Salem  
Winston-Salem

Committee on  
Nominations (elect 3)

Virginia Bass  
Fannie Dean  
Venus Faircloth  
Emily Morton

Scotland Neck  
Greensboro  
Winston-Salem  
Wilson

Committee on  
Employment Conditions  
(elect seven)

Mrs. Rita Crutchfield  
Mrs. Edith D. Fleming  
Isabel Fleming  
Mrs. Edna L. Miller  
Mrs. Mamie B. Newton  
Mrs. Rosetta D. Thompson

Chapel Hill  
Rocky Mount  
Asheville  
Durham  
Reidsville  
Rocky Mount

PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION

Chairman

Betty Chapman  
Mrs. Maude Eaker

Salisbury  
Stanley

First Vice-Chairman

Atha Howell

Greensboro

Executive Committee  
(elect one)

Frances Allen  
Mrs. Mary Sue Brannon  
Lucy Davis  
Hazel Wilfong

Newton  
Haw River  
Asheboro  
Newton

Committee on  
Nominations (elect 3)

Mrs. Hazel Bouldin  
Elise Early  
Margaret Evans  
Mrs. Thelma Mabe

Leaksville  
Winston-Salem  
Lumberton  
Stoneville

SPECIAL GROUPS SECTION

Chairman

Mrs. C. Leland Snoddy

Charlotte

First Vice-Chairman

Lake Allen  
Ruby Dameron

Greensboro  
Charlotte



Second Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Mary K. Nelson Mrs. Ada Poole	Winston-Salem Roseboro
Secretary	Mrs. Ella McCorquadale	Fayetteville
Executive Committee (elect two)	Kate Herndon Alma Kermon Aleksandra Nakutis	Durham Raleigh Waynesville
Committee on Nominations (elect 3)	Gladys G. Swicegood Mrs. Eva Trulove	Thomasville Greensboro

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION OF PROGRAM, PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP  
Mrs. Edna S. Petty, R. N., Chairman

Other Members of this committee are: Mrs. Marie B. Noell, R. N., Raleigh; Mrs. Willetta S. Jones, R. N., Greensboro; Mrs. Mary K. Kneedler, R. N., Raleigh; Mrs. Anna D. Roberson, R. N., Wilson; Mrs. Katherine W. Craig, R. N., Black Mountain; Ethel Faye Burton, R. N., Charlotte; Mrs. Ruth F. Peters, R. N., Fayetteville; Frances Bethune, R. N., Charlotte; Lelia Clark, R. N., Durham; Caroline Singletary, R. N., Winston-Salem; Mrs. Nan B. Cummings, R. N., Asheboro; and Mrs. Esther T. Burke, R. N., Goldston.

This committee met in Asheville, March 28 and 29, 1955, to plan the work for the coming year with seven members, Mrs. Edith P. Bocker, President, NCSNA, and members of Headquarters' Staff present. The purpose of the meeting was to plan the activities of this committee for the coming year.

The functions of the committee on a state and national level were reviewed. It was pointed out that the program, public relations and membership committees had been combined into one committee because the functions were so closely related and frequently made the same recommendations all centering around membership. Also the activities of the 1954 Membership and Public Relations Committees were reviewed.

The members of the Committee felt that the Committee had four main functions: (1) to promote the program of work of ANA, (2) to outline a public relations program, (3) to plan NCSNA Convention Program, and (4) to promote membership.

The following two Subcommittees were appointed: ANA Program and Convention Program - Mrs. Marie B. Noell, Chairman, Mrs. Katherine W. Craig, Lelia Clark, Caroline Singletary, Mrs. Nan B. Cummings, Frances Bethune, Mrs. Ruth F. Peters, Ethel Faye Burton, and Mrs. Esther T. Burke. Membership and Public Relations - Mrs. Anna D. Roberson, Chairman, Mrs. Esther T. Burke, Mrs. Mary K. Kneedler, Mrs. Willetta S. Jones, and Mrs. Ruth F. Peters.

The group studied the statistical information regarding NCSNA membership according to districts as of December 31, 1954. It was decided that this information should be referred to the districts in the form of a letter-bulletin and published in the June issue of the Tar Heel Nurse.

The program for the 1955 NCSNA Convention was discussed and suggestions were made for convention speakers. The members of the committee were asked to think about the "theme" and to send suggestions to Headquarters' Office. The section chairmen were also requested to secure suggestions for their respective programs prior to the meeting of the Subcommittee in Headquarters' Office, May 10, 1955.





There was much discussion relative to public relations and membership. The group recommended that the Counselor write a letter to employers of nurses regarding the importance of new nurse employees attending conventions so that the nurses on their staffs would be better informed on matters pertaining to nursing - thus they can do a better job at home.

Report of Subcommittee on ANA Program and Convention Program - Mrs. Marie B. Noell, R. N., Chairman:

The Subcommittee on ANA Program and Convention Program met in Headquarters' Office, Raleigh, May 10, 1955, for the purpose of planning the program for the NCSNA Fifty-third Annual Convention, and making suggestions to the ANA Committee on Current and Long-term Goals of the American Nurses' Association regarding the 1956 - 1957 ANA Platform. Upon completion of the planning, the program was sent to each member through the September issue of the Tar Heel Nurse.

The 1954 - 1955 ANA Platform was reviewed. The members of the Committee felt that it was a good "blueprint" of the programs and activities of ANA and did not suggest any changes as the format or content.

Report of Subcommittee on Membership and Public Relations - Mrs. Anna D. Roberson, R. N., Chairman:

The Subcommittee on Membership and Public Relations has not had a meeting; however, much attention has been given to membership and public relations during the year.

Presidents of districts and chairmen of district membership committees received a letter from the chairman in April regarding promotion of membership through the districts and sections. At this time the statistical information regarding NCSNA membership according to districts and sections as of December 31, 1954, was sent to the districts to be used as membership promotional material.

In July the Counselor of NCSNA sent a letter to employers of nurses emphasizing the importance of new nurse employees attending conventions and encouraging them to cooperate in providing "professional leave" to enable staff members to attend conventions. This would not only help to keep the nurse members of the staff better informed, but would give the nurse a better understanding of what membership in professional organizations mean.

A copy of the supplement of the ANA Membership Manual was sent to each district in September 1955.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SERVICE FUND

Annie H. Robinson, R. N., Chairman

Other members of this Committee are: Mrs. Edith P. Bocker, R. N., Chapel Hill, and Dorothy W. Robinson, R. N., Charlotte.

September 15, 1954 - September 15, 1955

Checking account in Concord National Bank, Concord, N. C.

RECEIPTS

Cash balance - September 15, 1954	\$ 901.52
Redeemed bonds (principal)	1,300.00
	<hr/> 2,201.52

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$ 2,201.52



DISBURSEMENTS

To beneficiaries (average number each month - 10) @ \$17.00 a month each	\$ 2,040.00	
To other expenses:		
March 15, 1955, Bond for Chairman	12.50	
June 20, 1955, 200 3¢ stamps	6.00	
	<u>2,058.50</u>	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$ 2,058.50
BALANCE IN CHECKING ACCOUNT, SEPTEMBER 15, 1955		\$ 143.02

Assets in Security National Bank of GreensboroINCOME

Cash balance September 1, 1955	\$ 334.80
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PRINCIPAL

Invested September 1, 1955	25,900.00
	<u>26,234.80</u>

OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS

5% on income receipt of \$339.35	16.97
	<u>26,217.83</u>

TOTAL	\$26,217.83
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During this fiscal year, we lost one beneficiary through death, one new was added, and a former one was reinstated. This number at present is eleven. They are divided into the following districts: **two** in District One; two in District Five; one in District Seven; one in District Eight; one in District Ten; one in District Twenty; and three in District twenty-two.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MARY LEWIS WYCHE LOAN FUND

Mrs. Theresa L. Magruder, R. N., Chairman

The Special Committee on the Mary Lewis Wyche Loan Fund is composed of the following members: Josephine Kerr, R. N., Charlotte; Mrs. Evelyn D. Mauro, R. N., Goldsboro; and Mrs. Theresa L. Magruder, R. N., Chairman.

September 30, 1954 to September 30, 1955

Balance in Savings Account, First Citizens Bank & Trust Co. Dunn, North Carolina	\$ 336.39
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Contributions, Interest and Repaid to Loan:

Contributions, District Twelve, NCSNA	\$ 25.00	
Interest	3.87	
Repaid to loan	211.10	
Repaid to loan	30.00	
	<u>269.97</u>	
TOTAL		<u>606.36</u>
Loans Granted	500.00	
Tax	.50	
Total	<u>500.50</u>	<u>500.50</u>

Total amount in Mary Lewis Wyche Loan Fund, September 30, 1955	\$ 105.86
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REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MEMORIAL TO MRS. LOUISE P. EAST  
Julia Fisher, R. N., Chairman

The members of this Committee are: Annie H. Robinson, R. N., Gastonia; Mrs. Theresa Magruder, R. N., Dunn; Mrs. Nan B. Cummings, R. N., Asheboro; and Julia Fisher, R. N., Greenville, Chairman. This Committee met in Chapel Hill, January 24, 1955, with all members present.

The following recommendations were submitted to the Board of Directors of NCSNA for consideration:

- I. a. To change the name of the Mary Lewis Wyche Loan Fund to the North Carolina State Nurses' Association Memorial Fund.
- b. To specify that the money in this Fund is for the use of the graduate nurse towards advanced education.
- c. To accept contributions for this Fund from any source in memory of North Carolina nurses.
- d. To keep a careful record of all contributions and for whom given.
- e. To publicize these contributions through the Tar Heel Nurse and other channels.
- II. If the name of the existing fund cannot be changed, it is recommended that a fund be started to be called the North Carolina State Nurses' Association Memorial Fund with the first money given to be in memory of Mrs. East.
- III. That consideration be given to the possibility of establishing an annual award to be given to the outstanding Public Health Nurse; said award to be presented at the annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association. This award may be in the form of a citation.

The Board of Directors of NCSNA in session, March 29, 1955, voted to recommend to the delegates of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association in session in November 1955 that the name of the "Mary Lewis Wyche Loan Fund" be changed to the "North Carolina State Nurses' Association Memorial Loan Fund".

The NCSNA Board of Directors voted to reject recommendation III because it would be impossible to establish an annual award for an outstanding nurse in one nurse occupational area without establishing at least seven awards in other occupational areas.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NURSING IN MEDICAL CARE PLANS  
Caroline Singletary, R. N., Chairman

Other members of the Committee are: Mrs. Adele B. Butts, R. N., Durham, and Mary Vida Cheek, R. N., R. N., Chapel Hill.

This Committee has not met during the year.

It should be reported, however, that the need for the inclusion of nursing services in non-profit prepaid medical care plans has been considered during the past year by the Subcommittee on Health Insurance of the Committee on Health of the Conference for Social Service of which the NCSNA Executive Secretary is a member.





The report of the subcommittee which has been completed, but has not yet received final approval from the Conference, will include a recommendation that insurance companies experiment certain areas of coverage such as private duty nursing in hospitals, home medical care, and public health home nursing.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NURSING IN NATIONAL DEFENSE  
Mrs. Mary Watts Dunn, R. N., Chairman

This Committee has continued to work during the past year not as a group but through the activities of individual members of the committee on a local level.

Other members of this Committee are: Alma Kermon, R. N., Raleigh; Hildred Harrison, R. N., New Bern; Mrs. Fannie M. Slade, R. N., Asheville; Ruth Beery, R. N., Fayetteville; and Mrs. Lucille Williams, R. N., Durham.

The chairman of this Committee is serving as a representative of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association on the Implementation Committee for Region Three Health Services which met in Atlanta, Georgia, in December, 1954, and June, 1955. At both sessions it was stressed that health services, although important, constitute only one facet of a total civil defense program. Health planning must be so developed that it proceeds concurrently with the planning in welfare training and education of the public.

I would like to make the following recommendations:

- (a) That North Carolina nurses take advantage of every opportunity to work with state and local civil defense authorities.
- (b) That nurses be aware of fire hazards and safety measures in their homes and community; practice fire-safe housekeeping; learn to fight small fires; know how to practice emergency sanitation measures if necessary.
- (c) That nurses memorize the "conelrad" frequencies of 640 and 1240 on your standard AM radio (that is where you will get official information and instructions in an emergency).
- (d) That nurses emphasize the importance of including instruction in disaster nursing measures, military and civil defense nursing in the basic nursing programs in the nursing school of North Carolina.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING AND PLACEMENT SERVICE  
Ruth Dalrymple, R. N., Chairman

The Committee on Professional Counseling and Placement of the NCSNA is composed of: Ruth Dalrymple, R. N., Chapel Hill, Chairman; Mrs. Rebecca B. Hobgood, R. N., Wilson; Frances Jeffers, Durham; Jane Hall, Raleigh; Ella Stephens Barrett, Raleigh; and Mr. George T. Lawver, Burlington.

Although there were no regularly scheduled meetings of this committee during the year, 1954-1955, several items of interest can be reported. PC&PS application forms are now generally used throughout the state. All professional registries are now using PC&PS applications for the official registry application form. Two professional registries that extend their services to practical nurses are

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using the PC&PS practical nurse application form as the official registry application form.

During the past year, the PC&PS Manual prepared in 1954 for district and state PC&PS committee members and district officers has been widely distributed. This manual has not only been distributed to district officers and committee members in this state, but requests for copies have been made by other states as well as by other interested persons.

Information concerning the PC&PS Program has reached a large number of individuals and groups of nurses throughout the state this past year, both through individual conferences with the Counselor and members of district committees through meetings with interested nurses. Information has not only been distributed by the Counselor to senior students in Schools of Nursing, but meetings have been scheduled with many graduating students. A large number of graduating seniors have had their biographies compiled.

The chairman of the PC&PS Committee attended the ANA Regional Conference on PC&PS in Nashville, Tennessee on March 28, 29, and 30, 1955. Three regional conferences with similar programs were held last spring in an attempt to help state officers and counselors promote, interpret, and strengthen PC&PS throughout the nation. It was interesting and gratifying to compare the NCSNA PC&PS Program with that in other states represented at the conference and to note that North Carolina has made significant progress in many of the areas discussed at this conference. The North Carolina PC&PS Manual for District and State Officers received considerable favorable comment at this meeting.

#### REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RED CROSS Lake Allen, R. N., Chairman

The members of the Special Committee on Red Cross are: Mrs. Katherine W. Lawson, R. N., Roxboro; Mrs. Marjorie C. Gray, R. N., Charlotte; and Lake Allen, R. N., Greensboro, Chairman.

This Committee has not met during the year. A Red Cross Nursing Exhibit was arranged for the 1954 Convention. The Committee serves as a liaison between the NCSNA and Red Cross Chapters.

#### REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REGISTRIES Dorothy Wilkinson, R. N., Chairman

The Committee on Registries had one meeting during the year, which was held in Headquarters' Office, May 27, 1955. Registrars of Nurses' Official Registries, and representatives from district nurses' associations sponsoring Official Registries met with the committee.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider some of the problems which many of the official registries are having, and to attempt to make plans which will enable the registries to better serve the private duty nurse and the community.

PC&PS records were discussed. The Counselor presented a form letter regarding references for applicants which would expedite the service of PC&PS and of the registry to the nurse. The committee voted that this letter be adopted and used. A model form for registry rules was discussed, corrected, and approved by the committee. This form has been sent to the district sponsoring official





registries and to the registrars.

There was much discussion regarding the licensed practical nurses and the services extended to them by the registries.

It was pointed out that it appeared advantageous for the services and rules of the registries to be kept as broad and flexible as possible.

The other members of the committee are: Mrs. Eva Trulove, R. N., Greensboro, and Miss Lillian George, R. N., Wilmington.

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATORS, CONSULTANTS, AND TEACHERS SECTION  
Ethel Faye Burton, R. N., Chairman

Officers of the EACT Section Are: Ethel Faye Burton, Charlotte, Chairman; Louise Yount, Fayetteville, First Vice-Chairman; Elizabeth White, Charlotte, Secretary; Ruth Falls, Charlotte and Mrs. Priscilla Ballance, Wilson, Members of the Executive Committee, and Sister Gertrude, Charlotte, Second Vice-Chairman.

The Executive Committee has held three meetings during the year.

The Chairmen of Committees met with the Executive Committee in February and formulated plans for a workshop on Functions, Standards and Qualifications for Practice. This one-day workshop was held in Chapel Hill on April 15, with thirty-nine EACT members attending.

Miss Ethel Faye Burton and Dorothy Dixon represented the Section at the ANA Regional Workshop in Miami, Florida, April 20-22, 1955.

During the NCSNA State-Wide Conference for Section Members held in Durham, June 9, 1955, the EACT members formulated and voted approval of the following:

1. That the EACT Section initiate a state-wide survey of North Carolina nurses to explore educational needs and interests, having in mind the possibility of establishing extension work in various areas of the state.
2. That the Program Committee of the EACT Section plan jointly with the Program Committee of the INSA Section and the Division's of Nursing Education and Nursing Service of the North Carolina League for Nursing, for overall planning for workshops, institutes, and other programs relating to nursing education and nursing service.

The Program Committee has met with the Program Committee of the INSA Section and representatives from the two divisions of the North Carolina League for Nursing and formulated plans for programs during the coming year.

The Executive Committee prepared and submitted a proposed budget for the Section for 1956 to the NCSNA Committee on Finance. The program for the annual Section meeting was planned and the proposed ballot for Section officers has been prepared and is ready for section action.

The membership of the EACT Section as of October 1, 1955, is 191.





REPORT OF THE GENERAL DUTY SECTION  
Mrs. Ruth F. Peters, R. N., Chairman

Officers of the General Duty Section are: Mrs. Ruth F. Peters, Chairman, Fayetteville; Pearl Dew, Pinehurst, First Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Opal Harrell, Whiteville, Second Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Juanita R. Karres, Sanford, Secretary; Mrs. Margaret Mims, Fayetteville and Mrs. Eunice Seaborn, Asheville, Members of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee has held four meetings during the year. At the first meeting, all standing committees were appointed.

Mrs. Ruby Norton and Mrs. Onnie Whitley were appointed to the Joint Special Committee re Head Nurses of the NCSNA General Duty and INSA Sections. Mrs. Lillian J. Todd was later appointed to replace Mrs. Norton as Chairman of this Committee.

A Special Committee on Revision of Minimum Standards was appointed, with Mrs. Eunice Seaborn as Chairman.

Mrs. Opal Harrell and Mrs. Margaret Mims attended the ANA Regional Workshop in Miami, Florida, April 20-22, 1955.

The Special Committee on Revision of Minimum Standards sent a survey questionnaire to sixteen hospitals in the western part of North Carolina requesting information regarding current salaries and personnel policies. Fifty per cent of these hospitals replied. This Committee prepared suggestions for the revision of the current Minimum Standards of Employment for General Duty Nurses, Head Nurses and Assistant Head Nurses.

The Executive Committee met in Durham, June 8, 1955, with the Committee on Revision of Minimum Standards, Headquarters' Staff, and Mrs. Lillian Todd, Chairman of the Committee on FS&Q to study and discuss the proposed revised Minimum Standards of Employment for General Duty Nurses, Head Nurses, and Assistant Head Nurses.

During the NCSNA State-Wide Conference for Section Members, held June 9, 1955, in Durham, the General Duty Section voted to adopt the proposed revised Minimum Standards of Employment for General Duty Nurses, Head Nurses, and Assistant Head Nurses. These proposed revised Standards were submitted to the NCSNA Board of Directors for referendum action. However, action was postponed until the 1955 annual meeting of the NCSNA Board of Directors.

A meeting of the Joint Special Committee re Head Nurses of the NCSNA General Duty and INSA Sections was held. Plans were formulated to hold a special meeting for head nurse members of NCSNA during the Convention to discuss sectional placement.

The Committee on Rules met and recommended that the rules remain unchanged for one year, in order that section members may become familiar with the present rules.

The Nominating Committee has prepared the slate of officers for the section for 1956 which will be presented at this Convention.

Mrs. Ruth Peters, NCSNA Section Chairman, was appointed as a member of the ANA Subcommittee on Legislation, and attended a meeting of this committee in New



York in March 1955. The purpose of this Committee meeting was to formulate a definition for the practice of professional nursing and practical nursing.

The program for the annual section meeting was planned, and a budget for the section for 1956 has been prepared and presented to the NCSNA Committee on Finance.

Your chairman in going out of office wishes to re-emphasize the challenge which was made by the first chairman of the General Duty Section, "As one of the two largest groups in the nursing profession, assume your rightful place as leaders in your organization. Accept section, district, state and national offices and committee appointments. DO NOT sell yourself and co-workers short by continuing to take the passwill role - your organization has the structure and the ability to serve you".

Membership of the General Duty Section as of October 1, 1955, is 949.

REPORT OF INDUSTRIAL SECTION  
Frances Bethune, R. N., Chairman

Officers of the Industrial Section are: Frances Bethune, Charlotte, Chairman; Mrs. Betty McLeod, Candor, First Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Elizabeth G. Tice, Charlotte, Second Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Polly C. Tillman, Greensboro, Secretary.

Report of the section not received. The following resume' of the sections' activities was compiled by the Assistant Executive Secretary.

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held in Greensboro on January 8, 1955. The special committees of the section were appointed. Considerable discussion centered around ways of stimulating membership interest in the NCSNA and plans were formulated for starting a membership drive.

Mrs. Audrey Stapleton and Lillian Tilley represented the section at the ANA Regional Workshop in Miami, Florida, April 20-22, 1955.

In February, as part of the membership drive, letters were sent to all NCSNA Districts along with a list of all registered industrial nurses in North Carolinian, and a list of all industrial nurse members of NCSNA. The district members were urged to make every effort to interest industrial nurses in the area to join the NCSNA.

The chairman and several members of the section attended the Twenty-fifth Annual North Carolina Industrial Safety Conference in Winston-Salem in May.

The Nominating Committee has prepared the slate of officers for the section for 1956.

Membership of the Industrial Section as of October 1, 1955, is 61.

REPORT OF INSTITUTIONAL NURSING SERVICE ADMINISTRATORS SECTION  
Lelia Clark, R. N., Chairman

The officers of the INSA Section are: Lelia R. Clark, Durham, Chairman; Sadie Wheless, Durham, First Vice-Chairman; Margaret Hurlocker, Winston-Salem, Second Vice-Chairman; Margaret Goodrum, Durham, Secretary; Mary V. Cheek, Chapel Hill and Ruth Beery, Fayetteville, Members of the Executive Committee.





During 1955, the work of the INSA Section has progressed slowly but The Executive Committee has held three meetings this year. r

Miss Lelia Clark and Sadie Wheless represented the section at the ANA Regional Workshop in Miami, Florida, April 20-22, 1955. Members from eight districts attended the NCSNA State-Wide Conference for Section Members, held Durham, June 9, 1955. The Standing Committees have been actively engaged in carrying out the work of the section.

The Program Committee has formulated the following: "That the Program Committee of the INSA Section plan jointly with the Program Committee of the Division of Nursing Service of the North Carolina League for Nursing for the overall program planning for workshops, institutes and other programs relating to education and/or nursing service".

The Committee on Program has cooperated with the EACT Committee on Program and the NCSNA Committee on Program in planning for the Annual Convention.

The Committee on Nominations has prepared the ballot for 1956 which will be presented to the section at the Convention for action.

The Committee on FS&Q has held several meetings and has constructed a questionnaire to survey the functions of directors of nursing service in the state.

The Committee on Rules has had no request for review or revision of rules.

The Executive Committee has prepared and presented a tentative budget to the NCSNA Committee on Finance and has made recommendations to the NCSNA Board of Directors relative to the budgetary needs of the section.

The Executive Committee appointed Aileen Ledford and Laura Navy to the Joint Special Committee re Head Nurses of the General Duty and INSA Sections. The Executive Committee has indicated its interest in the deliberations of this group and have offered their help and support.

Suggestions for topics and names of participants for the 1956 ANA INSA Section Program were submitted to Miss Janice S. Woram, Chairman ANA INSA Committee on Program.

Although we believe that the section has made progress, it is hoped that communications between state and local sections can be improved which will in turn stimulate increased interest in the section and its activity. It is further hoped that nurses throughout the state, eligible for membership in the INSA Section will join the section and lend their special abilities to its united effort.

Membership of the INSA Section as of October 1, 1955, is 632.

#### REPORT OF PRIVATE DUTY SECTION Caroline Singletary, R. N., Chairman

The officers of the Private Duty Section are: Caroline Singletary, Winston-Salem, Chairman; Elisabeth Weaver, Charlotte, First Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Mozelle Baker, Greensboro, Second Vice-Chairman; Fannie Dean, Greensboro, Secretary; Lula Craig, West Asheville and Mrs. Mary T. Maddrey, Winston-Salem, Members of the Executive Committee.





A meeting of the Executive Committee was held in Winston-Salem on December 3, 1954, to appoint and elect chairmen and members of the six committees of the Private Duty Section.

Mrs. Mozelle Baker and Elisabeth Weaver represented the section at the ANA Regional Workshop held in Miami, Florida, April 20-22, 1955.

The section was well represented at the NCSNA State-Wide Conference for Section Members in Durham, June 9, 1955.

The Committee on Functions Standards and Qualifications has been active. Discussions were held concerning the proposed statements of functions, standards and qualifications for practice, and suggestions were submitted to the ANA Committee on FS&Q.

The Executive Committee of the section has prepared and presented a proposed budget for the activities of the section for 1956, to the NCSNA Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Program has cooperated with the NCSNA Committee on Program in preparation of the program for the Convention.

The Committee on Nominations has prepared the slate of officers for the section for 1956, which will be presented to the section at this Convention for action.

Suggestions and recommendations regarding Rules were sent to the ANA Private Duty Section.

Membership of the Private Duty Section as of October 1, 1955, is 1,142.

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION  
Mrs. Nan B. Cummings, R. N., Chairman

The officers of the Public Health Section are: Mrs. Nan B. Cummings, Asheboro, Chairman; Virginia Phillips, Charlotte, First Vice-Chairman; Julia Fisher, Greenville, Second Vice-Chairman; Rose Avery, Lenoir, Secretary; Mrs. Marjorie Albright, Roxboro and Mrs. Lyda Betts, Durham, Members of the Executive Committee.

The Public Health Section Advisory Forum met on October 27, 1954, in the auditorium of the Durham County Health Department, with nineteen members present. Again this year, it was felt that membership and further defining of functions, standards and qualifications for practice were the areas which needed most attention. Suggestions were made for appointments to committees.

The Executive Committee of the section met on October 27, 1954, in Durham. Standing Committee appointments were made, and the work of the section was discussed.

The Committee on Nominations has prepared the slate of officers for the section for 1956.

Miss Clyde Hogsed and Miss Virginia Phillips represented the section at the ANA Regional Workshop in Miami, Florida, April 20-22, 1955.



The Committee on Program has cooperated with the NCSNA Committee on Program in planning the program for the Convention.

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held on September 22, 1955, in Winston-Salem. Nominations were made for officers of the ANA Public Health Section. The Section Biennial Report to ANA was compiled. The proposed section budget for 1956 was prepared and submitted to the NCSNA Committee on Finance. Other work of the Section Executive Committee was carried on by correspondence.

The following eleven NCSNA districts have organized Public Health Sections. Districts one, two, three, four, six, seven, ten, eleven, fourteen, fifteen, and twenty-four.

Membership of the Public Health Section as of October 1, 1955, is 281.

REPORT OF SPECIAL GROUPS SECTION  
Mrs. Esther T. Burke, R. N., Chairman

Officers of the Special Groups Section are: Mrs. Esther T. Burke, Goldston, Chairman; Kate Herndon, Durham, First Vice-Chairman; Lake Allen, Greensboro, Second Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Ada C. Poole, Roseboro, Secretary; Alma Kermon, Raleigh, and Hazel Johnson, High Point, Members of the Executive Committee.

On October 27, 1954, the Executive Committee met and appointed committees for the coming year.

Mrs. Esther T. Burke and Mrs. Marie B. Noell represented the section at the ANA Regional Workshop in Miami, Florida, on April 20-22, 1955.

Section members attended the NCSNA State-Wide Conference for section members in Durham, June 9, 1955. Much interest and enthusiasm was aroused in the discussion of local public relations, increasing membership and the possibilities of organizing an Office Nurse Conference Group.

Form letters were prepared and mailed to all office nurse members of the section (133 members) announcing a planned special meeting during the Convention of office nurse members to discuss the desirability of organizing a conference group for office nurses within the Special Groups Section.

The Nominating Committee has prepared the slate of officers for the section for 1956.

On May 2, 1955, the Executive Committee held another meeting. The proposed section budget was prepared and submitted to the NCSNA Committee on Finance.

During the year, much work has been accomplished through correspondence. The Executive Committee members have participated in completing several questionnaire surveys from ANA.

There are five organized and functioning sections on the district level as follows: Districts four, ten, twelve, thirteen, and fourteen.

Membership of the Special Groups Section as of October 1, 1955, is 249.



# REPORTS OF CONSTITUENT DISTRICT NURSES' ASSOCIATION

## DISTRICT ONE

Mrs. Katherine Craig, R. N., President, Black Mountain

Number of meetings of District - 12

Membership - 316

Average Attendance - 69

Alumnae Associations - 5

Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 10

### Programs:

October 1954	"Cardiovascular Surgery", Dr. Franz.
November 1954	Report of Annual Convention, Mrs. Katherine Craig, R. N.
December 1954	Election of Officers and Christmas Tea.
January 1955	"New Years' Resolutions", C. R. Sumner.
February 1955	"Review of Constitution and Bylaws", Margaret Mueller, R. N.
March 1955	"Jurisprudence in Nursing", Zeb Weaver, Maude Morgan, R. N., Eunice Seaborn, R. N., Fannie Slade, R. N.
April 1955	"Spring Grooming", Nancy Null, R. N.
May 1955	Panel Discussion "Our Responsibilities to the Public for Patient Care". Lola Drake, R. N., Moderator. Participants: Edna Miller, R. N., Doris Crank, R. N., Anne Fitzsimmons, R. N., and Maye Rowe, R. N.
June 1955	Case Study "Coordinated Hospital Services for Patient Care", Pauline Powell, R. N.
July 1955	"Personality Developments", Dr. Herman Storkey.
August 1955	"Religion in Nursing", Chaplain James H. Skelton.
September 1955	Student Nurses - Memorial Mission Hospital.

### Established Sections:

General Duty	Doris Grant, R. N., Chairman, Route 2, Leicester.
INSA	Mrs. Mildred Jenkins, R. N., Chairman, 136 Linden Street, Arden.
Private Duty	Mrs. Edna L. Miller, R. N., Chairman, 13 Pickwick Road, Asheville.
Public Health	Mrs. Bonnie C. Roush, R. N., Chairman, Route 4, Box 16, Asheville.

### Progress of District Activities:

Eleven hospitals are now covered by Social Security.  
Continuous drive throughout the year for new members. Personal letters sent to all potential members, personal contacts made through local hospitals.  
Members kept informed of legislative activities.  
Five hospitals are working forty hours a week.  
Recruitment program carried on through radio, television, newspaper contacts, public and private schools, a fashion show of old and new uniforms presented at a high school and one girls school during national nurse week was televised; student nurses participated in a television show during National Nurses' Week.  
President and Chairman of Committee on Civil Defense attended meeting of Red Cross Chapter and reviewed films with discussion on "The Bomb Explosive" in Las Vegas, Nevada. Members have been active in civic organizations and have participated in the Health and Hospital Council.  
Registry uses PC&PS forms as the official registry application form. Registry fees increased from \$30.00 per year to \$35.00 payable yearly instead of every six months. The services of the Professional Registry has been







extended to practical nurses as of August, 1955. An Assistant Treasurer was appointed in February 1955. Private duty nurses' rates increased from \$10.00 to \$12.00 for eight consecutive hour duty effective September 1, 1955.

Ten members attended Institute for District Officers in Lenoir.

114 pints of blood donated by nurses in March 1955.

Constitution and Bylaws revised.

Increases in membership.

Programs have been improved.

Registered nurses in District One were remembered at Christmas with cards, gifts and visits.

District has one nurse who has received "honorary recognition".

#### Outstanding Problems:

Poor attendance at district and section meetings.

Lack of interest in joining district and alumnae associations.

Private duty nurses not joining registry.

#### Problems Being Met By:

Officers attending Institute for District Officers.

Monthly meetings at various hospitals.

Personal contact with non-members of district.

Well-planned programs with all members notified in advance.

#### Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$625.90

#### Report of the General Duty Section of District One - Doris Grant, R. N., Chairman:

There are 87 members in the section. Six meetings have been held with a fair attendance. Three committees were appointed: Committee on Minimum Standards, Publicity Committee, and Project Committee.

The Committee on Minimum Standards, with Mrs. Eunice Seaborn as Chairman, has been actively engaged in doing research on minimum standards of employment for general duty nurses. The committee has had excellent participation by members throughout the district.

The Publicity Committee has kept members informed of the section activities. The Project Committee has been responsible for refreshments at the district meeting. Mrs. Seaborn is on the Executive Committee of the state section. Three officers attended the Institute for District Officers, and two members have served on panels at district meetings.

#### Report of the INSA Section of District One - Mildred Jenkins, R. N., Chairman:

The INSA Section held four meetings with an average attendance of 22. Two very interesting programs were presented. "Team Concept" was discussed by Vera Cranes, R. N., and Marie Rockwell, R. N., at the March meeting.

"The Importance of an Orientation Program and Factors That Make Up a Good Orientation Program" was presented by Lola Drake, R. N., and Joann Blalock, R. N., at the May meeting.

#### Report of the Private Duty Section of District One - Edna L. Miller, R. N., Chairman:

The Private Duty Section has had a very busy year. Seven meetings have been held. Three of the meetings were held with two sessions, 1:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. so that nurses working all shifts could attend. One supper meeting was held.



Problems relating to the section and the Registry have been handled as they became evident. With the appointment of a new Registrar, the system of registry calls, card files, and other materials was organized. Nurses currently on the Registry were encouraged to file PC&PS forms. A Treasurer for the Private Duty Section was appointed. New bill heads were printed to cover the change of private duty fees from \$10.00 to \$12.00. The registry fee was increased from \$30.00 to \$35.00 to help defray the deficit in registry funds. Sixty-nine private duty nurses are enrolled on the registry. The members of the section approved the services of the registry being extended to the licensed practical nurses.

Report of the Public Health Section of District One - Mrs. Bonnie C. Roush, R. N., Chairman:

The officers of the Public Health Section of NCSNA District One, for the year are: Mrs. Bonnie C. Roush, Chairman; Lexine Baird, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Ruth Martin, Secretary and Treasurer. Mrs. Iola Hawkins, R. N., was elected to finish out the term of office of Mrs. Ruth Martin, R. N., Secretary and Treasurer, who resigned in July.

The section held six meetings, one every other month, with an average attendance of twenty. Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month at 3:00 p.m. Mrs. Grady Morgan, R. N., has served as program chairman with Mrs. Jessie Miller, R. N., and Mrs. Charlotte White, R. N., as members of the committee.

At the October 1954 meeting, reports were given by four nurses who attended the Public Health Association Convention in Raleigh. The December 1954 and June 1955 meetings were held as luncheon meetings at the Gay Nineties Tea Room. Two nurses reported at the February meeting on the Institute for District Officers held in Lenoir. The program in April was a report by the public health nurse who attended the Polio Institute at the Orthopedic Hospital. At the September meeting, Dr. John Koondratt, new staff member of the Mental Hygiene Clinic spoke on "Mental Health" and outlined the program of the clinic and advised the nurses regarding the procedure to follow in referring patients to the clinic.

Plans for the future include making a concentrated effort to have more public health nurses from adjoining counties attend the meetings and participate in the activities of the section.

DISTRICT TWO

Mrs. Ione Bain, R. N., President, Granite Falls

Number of Meetings of District - 11

Membership - 116

Average Attendance - 20

Alumnae Associations - 2

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 6

Programs:

October 1954	Hobby show.
November 1954	Report of State Convention.
December 1954	Election of officers - Christmas Dinner.
January 1955	"Importance of Unity in Gaining Membership", Dr. C. Janousky.
February 1955	"Spiritual Needs of Patients", Dr. Fred Stair.
March 1955	Film on heart disease.
April 1955	Nursing in Argentina.
May 1955	"Looking in on Prospective Nurses - The Students".



June 1955	Panel Discussion, "What the ANA does for Nurses".
July 1955	Picnic.
September 1955	Dinner Meeting - Program on Semi-classical Music.

Established Sections:

EACT and INSA	Mrs. Nancy Thomas, Chairman, Boone.
General Duty	Ruby Steele, Chairman, Lenoir.
Industrial	Mrs. Mary Shook, Chairman, Boone.
Private Duty	Mrs. Lillie Miller, Chairman, Rutherfordton.
Public Health	

Progress of District Activities:

All hospitals but one covered by Social Security.  
 Members spoke to civic clubs as follows: Womens Club of Granite Falls - Mrs. Ione Bain; Morganton Kiwanis Club - Miss Jewell Reaves.  
 The Board of Directors were guests of Channel 2, WBTB on a television program, March 14.  
 Membership promotion has been carried on through personal contacts, publicity, and cards and letters to prospective new members.  
 Recruitment has been given much publicity. District two has awarded a scholarship to Miss June Knipel, who is a student at Mooresville Hospital School of Nursing. Magazines have been placed in both white and colored high school libraries in the district. A "Big Sister" plan for student nurses was put in operation to help students in schools of nursing in the district.  
 A suggestion box has been used at the monthly meetings. A semiannual report was mailed to each member in July. A scrapbook is being prepared for the district.  
 Miss Esther Faircloth of Tryon was nominated for the Mary Mahoney Award.

Outstanding Problems:

Poor attendance and lack of interest.

Problems Being Met By:

Personal contacts, publicity, cards to sick members.  
 Interesting and well-planned programs.  
 Semiannual report of activities sent to each member.  
 Television program.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$692.00

DISTRICT THREE

E. May Hylton, R. N., President, Winston-Salem

Number of Meetings of District - 7	Membership - 247
Average Attendance - 50	Alumnae Associations - 4
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 10	

Programs:

February 1955	"The Nurse and Religion", Chaplain Everett Barnard.
March 1955	"The Red Cross", Nell G. Clayton, R. N.
April 1955	"Occupation Therapy", Sue Kerley, R. N.
May 1955	"Aneurysmal and Obliterative Arterial Disease", Dr. Felda Hightower.
June 1955	"Genetics and Hereditary Disease", Dr. Nash Herndon.







September 1955 "New Developments in Diabetes", Dr. Emory Miller.

Established Sections:

EACT	Ann Casstevens, R. N., Chairman, Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem.
Industrial	Mrs. Erna Spach, R. N., Chairman, 1655 West Clemmons ville Road, Winston-Salem.
INSA	Mrs. Mildred Thomas, R. N., Chairman, 1812 East Fifth Street, Winston-Salem.
Private Duty	Mrs. Gladys Miller, R. N., Chairman, 801 Walker Avenue, Winston-Salem.
Public Health	Mrs. Ruth Harris, R. N., Chairman, 224 Forest Hill Avenue, Winston-Salem.

Progress of District Activities:

One hospital has Social Security coverage.  
Membership supports the platform of the State Legislative Council. Telegrams to Representative Frances P. Bolton and North Carolina Legislators in support of the NCSNA and ANA stand on National Nurse Legislation.  
Graduating classes of City and Baptist Hospitals invited as special guests at May 1955 meeting and had party for graduating class of Kate Bitting Reynolds.  
All high schools visited by a nurse during career week. Tours of hospitals for interested students.  
Publicity is given to recruitment officers for the armed services and time allowed from work to talk with them.  
A committee has been formed and is working with the local Civil Defense Unit.  
Nurses were available to assist with the Red Cross Blood Mobile.  
Nurses must be on registry for two years before limiting working hours to the 7-3 shift.  
Active membership in Woman's Group Action Council.  
Monthly meetings well publicized.  
Constant supervision of Nurses' Registry by Registry Committee, and District Board of Directors.  
District has five nurses who have received "honorary recognition".

Outstanding Problems:

Large attendance at monthly meetings.  
Increasing membership - especially among younger nurses.  
Achieving greater support from individual doctors and hospitals in enforcing Registry Rules.

Problems Being Met By:

More interesting speakers at the meeting.  
Social hour and refreshments at each meeting.  
Personal contacts with non-members.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - District - - - - \$1,205.54  
Registry Fund - - - - - - - - - - 1,841.32

DISTRICT FOUR

Mrs. Nelle S. Rhodes, R. N., President, Statesville

Number of Meetings of District - 9	Membership - 37
Average Attendance - 18	Alumnae Associations - 3
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 9	



### Programs:

November 1954	"Report of State Convention", Mrs. Gladys Austin, R. N.
December 1954	Election of officers.
January 1955	Appointment of Special Committees.
February 1955	Film "Public Relations - By Jupiter".
March 1955	"R H Factor and Its Relation to the Obstetrical Patient", Dr. Paul Kearns.
April 1955	"Duties of the Public Welfare Nurse", Mrs. J. Weatherman, R. N.
May 1955	"Mental Health", Dr. Earnest Ward, Chief Health Officer of Iredell County.
June 1955	Dinner Meeting.

### Established Sections:

EACT	Mrs. Edith Hoover, R. N., Chairman, Statesville.
General Duty	Mrs. Grace Wiley, R. N., Chairman, Statesville.
Industrial	Elizabeth Sharpe, R. N., Chairman, Statesville.
INSA	Sara Perry, R. N., Chairman, Statesville.
Private Duty	Mrs. Lois Henkel, R. N., Chairman, Statesville.
Public Health	Mrs. Jessie Parker, R. N., Chairman, Statesville.
Special Groups	Mrs. Kenneth Caldwell, R. N., Chairman, Barium Springs.

### Progress of District Activities:

Two hospitals have Social Security coverage.  
District meetings nine times a year instead of twelve.  
Membership promotion has increased "pep" talks at Alumnae meetings, and a dinner meeting inviting potential members and nurses who failed to rejoin the association during the past year.  
Lawrance Hospital, Mooresville, held an open house for future student nurses, and a high school was visited to talk with the students about nursing.  
All district meetings have had newspaper coverage.  
One member is chairman of the Committee on Health and Safety of the local civic club.  
Members participated in the "Mock Air Raid", November 11, 1954, and participated in the Civil Defense Program in five local schools.  
District has one nurse who has received "honorary recognition".

### Outstanding Problems:

Increasing attendance.  
Lack of interest.  
Increasing membership.  
Procuring officers willing to assume responsibility.

### Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$170.91.

### DISTRICT FIVE

Mrs. Edna S. Petty, R. N., President, Gastonia

Number of Meetings of District - 10	Membership - 472
Average Attendance - 51	Alumnae Associations - 8
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 9	

### Programs:

October 1954	Social Meeting in Shelby.
November 1954	Civil Defense, Mr. Charles Culler.



November 1954	Glee Club - student nurses, Mercy Hospital School of Nursing.
December 1954	Christmas party.
January 1955	Installation Service for new officers.
February 1955	Buffet Supper and Business Meeting.
March 1955	Open House at Red Cross; Mrs. Margaret O'Dell, Speaker.
April 1955	"Cardiovascular Diseases" - Heart Association.
May 1955	"Radioactive Substances and Fall-Out", Mr. Bill Long. Glee Club - student nurses, Gaston Memorial Hospital School of Nursing.
June 1955	Picnic.
September 1955	Program by Private Duty Nurses.

#### Established Sections:

EACT	Mary McRee, R. N., Chairman, Charlotte.
General Duty	Mary Jo King, R. N., Chairman, Charlotte.
INSA	Elizabeth Williams, R. N., Chairman, Charlotte.
Private Duty	Mrs. Opal Walden, R. N., Chairman, Paw Creek.

#### Progress of District Activities:

Committee on Legislation made plans to give brief reports throughout the year to keep members informed on legislative action.

Seven hospitals have Social Security coverage.

Membership promotion has been encouraged by having social functions, letters, and introducing new members at meetings.

Recruitment activities have included visits to high schools on "career" days; participation in Student Nurse Day and Hospital Day with good newspaper and radio coverage; district and student participation on television program.

Senior students have been addressed by various representatives of Armed Forces and movies shown to students re Army, Navy, and Air Force Nurse Corps.

The Registry Committee is now working on a revision of Registry Rules. The fees for private duty nursing have been increased from \$11.00 to \$12.00 for eight hour duty. The services of the Registry are extended to the licensed practical nurses.

Excellent newspaper coverage of activities with numerous articles and pictures. Several members have spoken at various clubs, and participated in several television programs.

The district purchased an addressograph machine to facilitate notices, etc. to members.

The Program Committee co-sponsored with the Heart Association, an all day Institute on Cardiovascular Disease with excellent attendance.

District has four nurses who have received "honorary recognition".

#### Outstanding Problems:

Lack of interest in section and district work and meetings.

Poor attendance.

How to stimulate more interest in district work and meetings.

#### Problems Being Met By:

Well planned programs with several social functions during year.

Refreshments served at various meetings.

Suggestion Box - attempting to follow suggestions of shorter programs, shorter business meetings, and less routine formality.

#### Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$1,395.92





Report of the EACT Section of District Five - Mary McRee, R. N., Chairman:

The EACT Section of District Five has held three meetings during 1955. There were several active discussions regarding functions of the section. It is planned that a program concerning these functions will be presented. The section has made recommendations to the state section concerning officers. The section has not been too active this year, but hoped to have a more progressive section next year.

Report of the INSA Section of District Five - Elizabeth Williams, R. N., Chairman:

The INSA Section of District Five has held four meetings, one of which was a dinner meeting. Difficulties have been encountered in getting members to attend and participate in the meetings.

Report of the Private Duty Section of District Five - Mrs. Opal Waldon, R. N., Chairman:

The officers of this section are: Mrs. Opal Waldon, Chairman; Roberta F. Crenshaw, First Vice-Chairman; Montrose Austin, Second Vice-Chairman; Ruth B. Whitley, Secretary; Florence Beatty, Corresponding Secretary.

Six meetings have been held this year with good attendance and much interest shown.

The section carried out an orientation program for all new section members. The section was very active in the Institute on Cardiovascular Disease sponsored by District Five.

The section chairman and vice-chairman attended the Institute for District Officers in Concord. The chairman attended the meeting in Raleigh of the NCSNA Committee on Registry, and the NCSNA State-Wide Conference for Section Members in Durham, June 9, 1955.

Roberta F. Crenshaw, also chairman of the State Section Committee on FS&Q, gave reports of committee work, workshops and memoranda from ANA concerning functions, standards and qualifications for practice to the section.

The fees for private duty nursing have been increased to \$12.00 for eight hour duty, effective April 1, 1955.

DISTRICT SIX

Mrs. Johnette P. Whitley, R. N., President, Kannapolis

Number of Meetings of District - 10

Membership - 172

Average Attendance - 40

Alumnae Associations - 2

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 10

Programs:

October 1954	"The United Nations", Mr. Peter Cocper.
November 1954	Annual meeting - election of officers.
December 1954	Christmas program - Cabarrus Hospital Glee Club.
February 1955	"The Nurse and Taxes", Mr. John Ketner.
March 1955	Program on Magic - Mr. Hoyle Blalock.
April 1955	"Vocational Rehabilitation ", Mr. R. L. Dinny.
May 1955	"Accidental Poisoning in Children and Adults", Mr. James Mitchener.
June 1955	Covered Dish Supper.
September 1955	"Medical and Living Conditions of the Middle East", Reverend John Brooks.



Established Sections:

Private Duty Mrs. Ponza Armfield, R. N., Chairman, Cabarrus Hospital,  
Concord.  
Public Health Ruby Lentz, R. N., Chairman, Route 1, Box 673, Salisbury.

Progress of District Activities:

Social Security coverage in one hospital.  
One hospital now has a forty hour week.  
Registry Rules revised for each registry. Registry services extended to  
licensed practical nurses.  
Members of the Committee on Recruitment who are engaged in teaching, visited  
local high schools on Career Day and presented a program on behalf of  
nursing.  
Senior students invited to June meeting, which was a "covered dish supper".  
The aims and purposes of NCSNA were explained, and the group was invited  
to join after graduation.  
Excellent newspaper coverage for all meetings, including pictures of new  
district officers.  
Formulating plans to sponser two workshops - Cardiac nursing and accreditation  
of schools of nursing.

Outstanding Problems:

Poor attendance.

Problems Being Met By:

Better planned program.  
A specific length of time set for business meetings and programs.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$500.72

DISTRICT SEVEN

Mrs. Classie D. Eggleston, R. N., President, Leaksville

Number of Meetings of District - 6	Membership - 37
Average Attendance - 22	Alumnae Associations - 1
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 2	

Programs:

January 1955	"Nurses, Education, Hospitals, Nursing, Midwifery and Socialized Medicine in England", Barbara Frazer, R. N.
February 1955	The Children's Home Society of Greensboro, Mrs. Harriet Tynes, Executive Secretary.
March 1955	Four Point Program on "Why be a Member of ANA", Distrist Members of Reidsville.
April 1955	Table settings - china, crystal and silver, Mrs. Jeanette Mace.
May 1955	Movies and talk on Peru, Dr. R. P. Harris.
June 1955	Picnic.

Established Sections:

General Duty	Mrs. Jane S. Sparks, R. N., Chairman, Reidsville.
Industrial	Mrs. Elizabeth Harviel, R. N., Chairman, Reidsville.
INSA	Mrs. Elizabeth Clement, R. N., Chairman, Reidsville.
Private Duty	Mrs. Mamie Newton, R. N., Chairman, Reidsville.
Public Health	Mrs. Hazel Bouldin, R. N., Chairman, Leaksville.
Special Groups	Claudia McBride, R. N., Chairman, Leaksville.



### Progress of District Activities:

Two hospitals have Social Security coverage.  
Invitations to become members extended to all registered nurses by sending application blanks, telephone calls, and postal cards at least six times.  
Personal visits have also been made.  
Letter contact with State Representative in relation to legislation interesting nurses.  
Two programs on Civil Defense have been given by members to civic organizations.  
Adopted and put in use a loose leaf note book containing the Constitution and Bylaws of District Seven as well as the names of officers and committee members.  
The American Journal of Nursing has been sent to three high school libraries.  
One member talked to the senior class of a local high school on "promotion" day. The week of April 17 was observed as "Focus Week for Nursing".  
Posters were put in windows throughout the counties.  
Advances in nursing have been publicized.  
The fees for private duty nursing have been increased. Consideration has been given to the establishment of a registry.  
District members bought and sold hose to add funds to the treasury.

### Outstanding Problems:

Attendance  
Membership

### Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$72.80

### DISTRICT EIGHT

Lake Allen, R. N., President, Greensboro

Number of Meetings of District - 10	Membership - 200
Average Attendance - 40	Alumnae Associations - 0
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 4	

### Programs:

October 1954	"Nursing Rehabilitation in Korea", Mary Williams.
November 1954	Election of officers and convention reports.
December 1954	Christmas program and Love Offering, Mrs. Ethel Huff.
January 1955	Story, slides - "A Year in Norway", Kathleen A. Mann.
February 1955	Business Meeting.
March 1955	"The World Today With The Red Cross", Ruth Clinard.
April 1955	Pantomime, songs and dance, Hattie Hartsook.
May 1955	Skit - "Nursing and Current Events", members of the Private Duty Section. "Greetings from NCSNA", Helen Peeler, Associate Executive Secretary, NCSNA.
June 1955	Panel "PC&PS", six members of district.
September 1955	Reviews on current "Best Sellers", Mrs. Margaret Rider.

### Established Sections:

Industrial	Mrs. Audrey Stapleton, R. N., Chairman, Route 1, Guilford College.
Private Duty	Mrs. Ruth S. Mann, R. N., Chairman, 1121 Northwood Street, Greensboro.

### Progress of District Activities:







Contacts have been made with state representatives and congressmen about legislation of interest to nurses.  
 Active members asked to give enthusiastic "word-of-mouth interpretation of membership".  
 Committee on Nursing in National Defense working with Red Cross Disaster Committee and Committee on Civil Defense.  
 Members have spoken frequently to community groups on "Nursing as a Profession".  
 District meetings have been well publicized before and after each meeting. The official registry extends its services to the Doctor's Exchange, the Red Cross, and the Community Council.  
 A yearbook is planned for 1955 and 1956.  
Bylaws have been revised and printed.  
 A permanent Post Office Box has been rented.  
 Metal filing cabinet was purchased and permanent files have been set up.  
 The first vice-president has assumed the duties of coordination of the district programs.  
 Money was raised to donate to the Cerebral Palsy School.  
 District has four nurses who have received "honorary recognition".

#### Outstanding Problems:

Insufficient time for officers and committee members to carry on district activities and full time job employment - "much to be done and no time in which to do it".

#### Problems Being Met By:

Cooperative activity of members and officers.

#### Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$443.14  
 (some mature bonds)

#### Report of Industrial Section of District Eight - Mrs. Audrey Stapleton, R. N., Chairman:

The Industrial Section of District Eight has eleven members, one of whom is honorary. Nine meetings have been held with an average attendance of six.

The present officers are: Chairman, Mrs. Audrey Stapleton; Vice-Chairman, Ruby Henshaw; Treasurer, Mrs. Anna Brewer; Secretary, Faye Wescott; Program Chairman, Helen Patton.

#### Programs:

October 1954	Covered Dish Dinner.
November 1954	Dinner Meeting - "Progress in Accident Prevention", Martin Quincannon, Safety Advisor.
December 1954	Christmas Party
February 1955	Dinner Meeting - Discussion, Minimum Standards.
March 1955	Dinner Meeting - Committee appointed to work on Minimum Standards.
April 1955	Dinner Meeting - Outline for Minimum Standards for Industrial Nurses.
May 1955	Dinner Meeting - Reports on the ANA Regional Workshop in Miami and the AAIN meeting in Charlotte.
June 1955	Dinner Meeting - Speaker, Miss Harriet L. Tynes, Childrens Home Society of North Carolina.
September 1955	Dinner Meeting - "Oxygen Therapy and Effects on Premature Infants".



### Special Projects:

Special study on Minimum Standards of Employment for Industrial Nurses.  
Personal contacts to increase membership.

### Tentative Program 1955-1956:

Group discussions of current nursing events in an effort to keep the industrial nurse well informed, and to stimulate more interest in the state section.

### Report of Private Duty Section of District Eight - Mrs. Ruth S. Mann, R. N., Chairman:

The Private Duty Section of District Eight has met quarterly. There have been two business meetings, and one meeting devoted to a report of the ANA Regional Workshop in Miami.

Officers are: Mrs. Ruth S. Mann, Chairman, and Mrs. Naomi Phillips, Secretary.

The section was responsible for the May program of the district. The members presented a skit "Some Incidents in the Life of a Private Duty Nurse".

The members are participating in the state section project of compiling recipes collected from nurses to make a cook book.

### DISTRICT NINE

Mrs. Ann C. Shelton, R. N., President, High Point

Number of Meetings of District - 10

Membership - 136

Average Attendance - 30

Alumnae Associations - 1

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 8

### Programs:

October 1954	Panel "United Nations" Student Nurses, High Point Memorial Hospital.
November 1954	Report of NCSNA Convention, Lucy Lopp, R. N., and Lucy Davis, R. N.
December 1954	Christmas Party.
January 1955	"Activities and Progress of District for two years", Lucy Lopp, R. N.
February 1955	Lecture, slides "Holy Land", Holt McPherson.
March 1955	"Newer Trends in Treatment of Tuberculosis", Dr. M. D. Bonner.
April 1955	"Public Relations", Florence Reed.
May 1955	"Home Accident Prevention", Public Health Nurses of Asheboro.
June 1955	Picnic.
September 1955	"Legislation and Segregation", Cloyd Philpott, Lexington.

### Established Sections:

Private Duty      Frances Byrum, R. N., Chairman, 705 Centennial Avenue, High Point.

### Progress of District Activities:

Letters written to, and personal contact with legislators regarding legislation of interest to nurses.

Three hospitals covered by Social Security.

Membership promoted by posters, letters, and personal contact.



"Open House" held for prospective new student nurses. Recruitment carried on by interviews with high school students, posters, and other contacts. Scholarships for student nurses offered by Civic Clubs. Members helped with the Christmas Cheer Fund. Members helped with the Blood Bank. Registry extends services to practical nurses.

Outstanding Problems:

Membership.  
Attendance at meetings.

Problems Being Met By:

Planning more interesting programs.  
Personal invitations to members and non-members.  
Stressing importance of being a member.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$314.81

Report of Private Duty Section of District Nine - Frances Byrum, R. N., Chairman:

The Private Duty Section has held ten meetings. Most of the meetings were held in the homes of the members, followed by a social hour. Meetings included lectures, discussions, bazaars and a fish fry.

Fees for private duty nursing were increased to correspond with those in corresponding towns and districts.

Graduates were encouraged to join the district association. Sick and bereaved members were remembered with gifts and flowers. Assisted with the reactivation of the Alumnae Association of High Point Memorial Hospital.

DISTRICT TEN

Mrs. Alluwee J. Harrison, R. N., President, Burlington

Number of Meetings of District - 10	Membership - 52
Average Attendance - 20	Alumnae Associations - 0
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 2	

Programs:

October 1954	New officers installed.
November 1954	"Civil Defense", Mr. Henry Eskold.
December 1954	Christmas Party.
January 1955	Films on Korea, Dr. A. D. Tate.
February 1955	"Alcoholics Anonymous", Mr. J. J. Walch.
March 1955	"Section Organization", Mrs. Marie B. Noell, Executive Secretary, NCSNA.
April 1955	"Rehabilitation of the Polio Patient", Mr. Harry Dou.
May 1955	"Cancer Society", Mrs. Pat Brame.
June 1955	Annual District Picnic.
September 1955	Election of officers.

Established Sections:

General Duty	Josephine Campbell, R. N., Chairman, Box 475, Elm College.
Private Duty	Mrs. Myrtle Fitch, R. N., Chairman, 502 Atwater Street, Burlington.
Public Health	Juanelle Brewer, R. N., Chairman, 512 Atwater Street, Burlington.







Special Groups    Mrs. Lucille Crabtree, R. N., Chairman, Box 263, Graham.

Progress of District Activities:

Two hospitals covered by Social Security.

Membership promotion carried on with personal contacts and notices sent to all registered nurses in the district.

Salaries and personnel policies improving.

Money raised this year for the student loan fund \$345.00. Five student nurses are currently receiving help through this fund.

Members have talked to senior girls in local high schools.

Members registered to help with the Civil Military Defense Program if needed.

Newspaper notices and coverage of meetings.

Radio interview for National Nurse Week. Stores carried display windows on nursing.

Sponsored two needy families for Christmas.

Contributed to United Fund.

Raised funds for McDade Museum.

Outstanding Problems:

Membership.

Attendance at meetings.

Problems Being Met By:

Notices of dues.

Notices of meetings.

Personal contacts.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$233.42

Report of General Duty Section of District Ten - Josephine Campbell, R. N., Chairman:

The General Duty Section has held four meetings with an average attendance of twelve members.

Report of Private Duty Section of District Ten - Mrs. Myrtle Fitch, R. N., Chairman:

The Private Duty Section has held three meetings with an average attendance of four members.

Report of Public Health Section of District Ten - Juanelle Brewer, R. N., Chairman:

The Public Health Section has held four meetings with an average attendance of eight to ten members.

DISTRICT ELEVEN

Sadie Wheless, R. N., President, Durham

Number of Meetings of District - 10

Membership - 392

Average Attendance - 33

Alumnae Associations - 4

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 10

Programs:

October 1954    "Legislation", Mrs. Marie B. Noell, Executive Secretary, NCSNA.

November 1954    Movie "Rehabilitation".

December 1954    Election of officers, Christmas party, donation of gifts to "Empty Stocking" Christmas Fund.



January 1955	"White Elephant" auction. Proceeds donated to fund for permanent NCSNA Headquarters' Office. Lorene Bates, Auctioneer.
February 1955	"Sections" (discussion groups). Election of protem. officers for INSA and EACT Sections.
March 1955	Supper "Spaghetti By Candlelight" followed by business meeting. Sponsored by senior students, Duke University School of Nursing.
April 1955	"Formosa", Mr. Ross Porter, Administrator, Duke University Hospital.
May 1955	Skit "The Changing Role of the Nurse" followed by a social hour in honor of senior students in all schools of nursing, District Eleven.
June 1955	Panel "Public Health Nursing", Mrs. Edith P. Brocker, President, NCSNA, Moderator.
September 1955	"Latin American Public Relations", Dean Alan Manchester, Duke University.

#### Established Sections:

EACT	Chairman to be elected.
INSA	Margaret Mitchell, R. N., Chairman portem., Watts Hospital, Durham.
Private Duty	Mrs. Gladys Copeland, R. N., Chairman, 2114 Club Boulevard, Durham.
Public Health	Clyde Hogsed, R. N., Chairman, Route 3, Dogwood Acres, Chapel Hill.

#### Progress of District Activities:

A special program on "Legislation" at the October meeting. Members voted to support the Stand of NCSNA and ANA in relation to the Bolton Bill.

Five hospitals covered by Social Security.

Formulating plans to have a district "Newsletter".

Three hospitals have the forty-hour week.

Revision of Registry Rules in process. Services of registry extended to licensed practical nurses.

Newspaper coverage of district meetings. Spot radio announcements have been utilized.

A fund (\$63.70 realized from "auction sale") was established to be donated to the building of permanent Headquarters' Office.

District has two nurses that have received "honorary recognition".

#### Financial Status:

Balance on hand - \$1,535.93

#### Report of INSA Section of District Eleven - Margaret Mitchell, R. N., Chairman:

The rules for the INSA Section were approved by the Board of Directors at the June 1955 meeting. There have been no meetings since that time except a call meeting at the September District Meeting, at which time suggestions for national section officers and committee appointments were considered.

The present plan is to have program meetings with the EACT Section, but separate business meetings.

#### Report of Private Duty Section of District Eleven - Mrs. Gladys Copeland, R. N., Chairman:

The Private Duty Section has held nine business meetings, one party and one



picnic with an average attendance of eleven members.

Officers of the section are: Mrs. Gladys Copeland, Chairman; Mrs. Lois Bragg, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. G. Harvey, Second Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Frankie Culbreth, Secretary; and Isabel Fleming, Treasurer.

Goals for the Year: to increase membership and attendance; to raise funds to send private duty nurses as delegates to ANA Convention in 1956. Realized \$41.00 from sale of pins and stationery. A sick fund of \$20.00 has been established.

#### DISTRICT TWELVE

Mrs. Juanita Karres, R. N., President, Sanford

Number of Meetings of District - 10

Membership - 83

Average Attendance - 22

Alumnae Associations - 0

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 10

#### Programs:

November 1954	"Nursing Care of Prematures", Dr. Reeves.
December 1954	Christmas Party.
January 1955	"Art and Literature", Kate Ferguson.
February 1955	"Nurse and Her Pursuit of Beauty", Faustina Wakefield.
March 1955	"The Hospital Through the Administrators' Eyes", Mr. Joe Lennon.
April 1955	"Principal of Motion Economy in Nursing", Mr. Recce Ducon.
May 1955	Report of ANA Regional Workshop, Miami, Mrs. Esther T. Burke, R. N.
June 1955	Picnic.
September 1955	"The Nurses' Role in Psychiatry", Dr. Kemp and Dr. Langler.
October 1955	Articles from the <u>American Journal of Nursing</u> , Mrs. Beulah Buchanan, R. N.

#### Established Sections:

General Duty	Dorothy McNeil, R. N., Chairman, Moore County Hospital, Pinehurst.
INSA	Lalan Patterson, R. N., Chairman, Moore County Hospital, Pinehurst.
Private Duty	Pearl A. Pearson, R. N., Chairman, 760 North May Street, Southern Pines.
Special Groups	Mrs. Myrtle Campbell, R. N., Chairman, Box 302, Raeford.

#### Progress of District Activities:

Two hospitals covered by Social Security.  
Membership campaign promoted by letters, cards and personal visits.  
Student nurse recruitment programs through participation in "Career Days" at local high schools, and personal contact.  
Newspaper coverage of meetings and institute for District Officers held in Sanford.  
Mary Lewis Wyche Loan Fund donation of \$25.  
President attended Sanford Womens' Club meetings.

#### Outstanding Problems:

Membership.  
Poor attendance by members.







Problems Being Met By:

Personal contacts.

Yearbook.

Dinner meetings when possible.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$244.59.

Building and Loan - - - - - 100.00

Government Bond - - - - - 100.00

DISTRICT THIRTEEN

Mrs. Ruth Webster Smith, R. N., President, Raleigh

Number of Meetings of District - 10

Membership - 272

Average Attendance - 37

Alumnae Associations - 3

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 3

Programs:

October 1954

Lecture on Canada, Dr. W. W. Noel.

Presentation of 1955 slate of officers.

November 1954

Election of officers and annual reports.

December 1954

Play "My Name is Legian", Dr. Fred Johnson, Director.

January 1955

Slides of Phillipine Islands, Ida Collie.

February 1955

Musical Program, Rex Hospital Choral Club.

March 1955

The Red Cross, Mrs. Paul Simpson and Red Cross volunteer workers.

April 1955

The Salk Vaccine, Mrs. C. G. Brennecke.

May 1955

Musical Program, student nurses, St. Agnes' Hospital, Class of 1957.

June 1955

Film "Adventures in Maturity", Mrs. Billie Bridger, R. N.

Established Sections:

Private Duty

Mrs. Annie Johnson, R. N., Chairman, 2606 Lockmore Drive, Raleigh.

Special Groups

Mrs. Grace Collie, R. N., Chairman, 107 South Boylan Avenue, Raleigh, N. C.

Progress of District Activities:

Three hospitals are covered by Social Security.

Revision of Registry Rules being considered.

One member of district has received "honorary recognition".

Outstanding Problems:

Membership.

Participation in district activities.

Problems Being Met By:

More interesting programs.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$236.76

Report of the Private Duty Section of District Thirteen - Mrs. Annie Johnson, R. N., Chairman:

Six regular meetings were held during the year. There are 98 active members of the Registry. Officers of the section are: Mrs. Annie Johnson, Chairman;



Mrs. Meta Montalon, Secretary; Mrs. Romona Barnes, Treasurer. Committees: Assistance Fund, Mrs. W. H. Riley, Chairman; Nominations, Mrs. Peden Thompson, Chairman.

Report of the Special Groups Section of District Thirteen - Mrs. Grace Collie, R. N., Chairman:

The section has held two meetings during the year, and there has been one meeting of the Executive Committee. Officers of the section are: Mrs. Grace Collie, Chairman; Mrs. Katherine Peebles, First Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Addie Raeford, Second Vice-Chairman; Maude Marshburn, Secretary; Mrs. Mildred Sorrell and Evelyn Thompson, members of the Executive Committee.

Plans for the November meeting include a panel discussion on "What Can We Do as a Group to Help Improve the Care of the Patient". Participants will be representatives from the various fields of the medical profession.

DISTRICT FOURTEEN

Mrs. Ada Poole, R. N., President, Roseboro

Number of Meetings of District - 11	Membership - 175
Average Attendance - 48	Alumnae Associations - 1
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 4	

Programs:

October 1954	Section business meetings, Public Health Center, Fayetteville.
November 1954	Highlights of 1954 NCSNA Convention, Mrs. Ella Hargroves, R. N.
December 1954	Business meeting and election of officers.
January 1955	Business meetings - section meetings.
February 1955	"Mountains on our Horizons", Mr. Latham West, President of the N. C. Pharmaceutical Association and Vice-Chairman of the N. C. Heart Fund Campaign.
March 1955	Dinner meeting - business, Dunn.
April 1955	"Civil Defense now in progress in our area", Colonel Hans C. Larsen, Director of Civil Defense, Cumberland County.
May 1955	"Current and Pending Legislation Relating to Nursing", Mrs. Ruth Peters, R. N., Mrs. Mary Bullock, R. N., Mrs. Margaret Wims, R. N., members, General Duty Section.
June 1955	"Section Activities and Report of the NCSNA State-Wide Conference for Section Members", Catherine B. Findlay, Assistant Executive Secretary, NCSNA.
July 1955	Annual picnic, Clinton.
September 1955	"The Nurse as a Citizen", Mr. T. M. Hunter, Fayetteville.

Established Sections:

EACT	Louise Yount, R. N., Chairman, 807 Arsenal Avenue, Fayetteville
General Duty	Mrs. Margaret Wims, R. N., Chairman, 311 Brainard Avenue, Fayetteville.
INSA	Ruth Beery, R. N., Chairman, VA Hospital, Fayetteville.
Private Duty	Mrs. Myrtle Bracey, R. N., Chairman, 1911 Westlawn Avenue, Fayetteville.
Public Health	Agnes Kelly, R. N., Chairman, Health Department, Box 470, Fayetteville.
Special Groups	Virginia Graham, R. N., Chairman, VA Hospital, Fayetteville.

Progress of District Activities:



One district program on current and pending legislation relating to nursing.  
Legislator contacted regarding Bolton Bill.  
Six hospitals covered by Social Security.  
Membership Committee contacted all registered nurses in the district by letter with application blanks enclosed, and an invitation to join the district. Personal contacts have been made with potential members through local hospitals.  
Two hospitals have the forty-hour week.  
Recruitment of student nurses promoted by talks and personal contacts with high school students. Newspaper publicity by articles about student nurses and pictures of hospital activities. One member spoke to high school seniors on "Career Day".  
District program devoted to Civil Defense. One member taught a Home Nursing and Red Cross First Aid Course.  
Officers and members attended the Institute for District Officers in Sanford.  
One member from the General Duty Section attended the ANA Regional Section Workshop in Miami.  
Good newspaper coverage of district programs and activities. Other public relations informally promoted by members active in other organizations.

Outstanding Problems:

Lack of interest in section meetings.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$512.48

Report of the Special Groups Section of District Fourteen - Virginia Graham, R. N., Chairman:

The Special Groups Section has a membership of sixteen. This includes nine office nurses, five anesthetists, one hospital purchasing agent, and one nurse employed in a blood bank.

Four meetings have been held during the year with an average attendance of five. The members enjoyed an annual picnic in July.

Two members attended the Institute for District Officers in Sanford. One member attended the State-Wide Conference for Section Members in Durham.

Attendance has been poor throughout the year, and our main objective at each meeting has been to become better organized, and to create interest among our members.

DISTRICT FIFTEEN

Mrs. Martha Durham, R. N., President, Clarkton

Number of Meetings of District - 10

Membership - 61

Average Attendance - 29

Alumnae Associations - 1

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 8

Programs:

October 1954

"United Nations", Virginia Simpkins.

November 1954

Report of 1954 NCSNA Convention, Cathryn Alford, R. N.

December 1954

Annual business meeting.

January 1955

"Accident and Health Insurance", Mr. Lee Parker.

February 1955

"Hobbies", Mrs. A. A. Fowler.

March 1955

"Geriatrics and Mental Health", Misses Kenlaw and Nelson,  
Robeson County Memorial Hospital.







April 1955	"Modern Trends in Nursing and Nursing Education", Vivian Culver, R. N., Educational Consultant, N. C. Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education.
May 1955	"Mental Health Film "Farewell to Adolescents".
June 1955	Recreation.
September 1955	"Religion and Health", Reverend Robert Sloop.

Established Sections:

EACT	Mrs. Vonnice M. Norment, R. N., Chairman, Robeson Couty Memorial Hospital, Lumberton.
INSA	Mrs. Mamie B. Cozart, R. N., acting chairman, Rowland.
Private Duty	Mrs. Etura K. Parnell, R. N., Chairman, Lumberton.
Public Health	Margaret Evans, R. N., Chairman, Robeson County Health Department, Lumberton.

Progress of District Activities:

Two hospitals have Social Security coverage.  
 Membership promoted by invitations to non-members to meetings as guests with transportation and dinner provided.  
 Newspaper coverage of district activities.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$412.61

DISTRICT SIXTEEN

Mrs. Sally Jordan, R. N., President, Clarkton

Number of Meetings of District - 10	Membership - 25
Average Attendance - 11	Alumnae Associations - 0
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 3	

Programs:

October 1954	Business meeting.
November 1954	Report of NCSNA Convention, Mattie A. Fowler, R. N.
December 1954	Business meeting and Christmas party.
January 1955	Topic "European Tour", with pictures, Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Saddler.
February 1955	Continued "European Tour", with pictures, Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Saddler.
March 1955	"Decorating with Dry Flower Arrangements", Mrs. Blake.
April 1955	Business meeting.
May 1955	"Spring Flower Arrangements", Mrs. Phelps.
June 1955	Annual picnic.
September 1955	Business meeting.

Established Sections:

General Duty	Mrs. Opal Harrell, R. N., Chairman, Columbus County Hospital, Whiteville.
Private Duty	Mrs. Leah Fisher, R. N., Chairman, 105 North Franklin Street, Whiteville.

Progress of District Activities:

One hospital covered by Social Security.  
 Non-members contacted about the importance of membership in the district, NCSNA, and ANA.  
 One member talked with Williams' High School students on "Career Day" with over 100 students interested in nursing.



Chairman of the Committee on Civil Defense has been in contact with the  
Director of Civil Defense in the area.

Bylaws are being revised.

Newspaper coverage of meetings.

Outstanding Problems:

Membership

Attendance

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$114.03

Report of Private Duty Section of District Sixteen - Mrs. Leah Fisher, R. N.,  
Chairman:

The Private Duty Section has had interesting and informative programs. The members contribute to all drives; ways have been devised for meeting the expenses of the sections. Cards and flowers are sent to members and their families in time of sickness and bereavement. Our major problem is poor attendance at meetings and lack of interest shown in joining and supporting the ANA.

DISTRICT SEVENTEEN

Mrs. Margaret N. Nixon, R. N., President, Roanoke Rapids

Number of Meetings of District - 9

Membership - 45

Average Attendance - 12 to 15

Alumnae Associations - 1

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 2

Programs:

October 1954	Halloween Party.
November 1954	Election of officers.
December 1954	Annual Christmas Party.
January 1955	Film "Sodium Pentothal".
February 1955	"Nurses Place in Christian Living", Reverend Lewis Styons.
March 1955	"Salk Vaccine", Dr. Robert Young.
April 1955	Business meeting.
May 1955	"Tuberculosis", Dr. J. W. Boone Jr.
	Guests - Graduating Class, Roanoke Rapids Hospital School of Nursing.
September 1955	Business meeting.

Progress of District Activities:

Three hospitals covered by Social Security.

Newspaper coverage of District Meetings.

Outstanding Problems:

Membership

Problems Being Met By:

Creating an interest among non-members.

More interesting programs.

Entertaining members of graduating class, Roanoke Rapids Hospital School of Nursing.

All nurses and their families in the district invited to a picnic in June.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$60.35



DISTRICT EIGHTEEN

Mrs. Evelyn B. Mauro, R. N., President, Goldsboro

Number of Meetings of District - 10

Membership - 166

Average Attendance - 30

Alumnae Associations - 3

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 10

Programs:

October 1954	"Sex and Infertility", Dr. C. A. Wilkins.
November 1954	Skit "Doctor, Nurse and Patient", Mrs. Rebecca Hobgood, R. N., Mrs. Onnie Whitley, R. N., Mrs. Corinne Logan, R. N.
February 1955	"Spiritual Lecture", Dr. C. A. Jarman, Wilson.
April 1955	"Personality Development", Dr. Jennings, Psychologist.
May 1955	"Civil Defense", Mr. R. C. Nicholson, State Civil Defense Program.
September 1955	"Social Security", Mr. Aaronson, Goldsboro.

Established Sections:

EACT	Mrs. Corinne Logan, R. N., Chairman, Box 671, Wilson.
General Duty	Nelda Pittman, R. N., Chairman, 300 West Nash Street, Wilson.
INSA	Mrs. Rebecca Poythress, R. N., Chairman, Colonial Apartments # 35, Wilson.

Progress of District Activities:

Members voted to support the NCSNA and ANA regarding the Bolton Bill.  
Two hospitals covered by Social Security.  
Staff members at local hospitals and new graduates are encouraged to become members of the Association.  
Members have visited high schools to talk to the students about nursing.  
High Schools have also been visited by members of the Army and Navy Nurse Corps. One member spoke before Wilson Rotary Club re Wilson School of Nursing.  
One program and a film on Civil Defense.  
Newspaper coverage of district and alumnae meetings, admission, capping, and graduating exercises.  
A "trust fund" of \$100.00 to be maintained in savings for needy and deserving students.

Outstanding Problems:

Attendance - for both district and section meetings.

Problems Being Met By:

Attending institutes and encouraging attendance at district meetings.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$252.46

Report of the EACT Section of District Eighteen - Mrs. Corinne Logan, R. N.,  
Chairman:

Other officer of the EACT Section is: Mrs. Violet Thorne, R. N., Secretary.  
The section meets quarterly with the INSA Section. Special business of the section is taken care of separately. I have attended institutes for the purpose of improving the section.

Report of the General Duty Section of District Eighteen - Hilda Pittman, R. N.,  
Chairman:





Other officers of the section are: Mrs. Lena P. Stanley, R. N., First Vice-Chairman; and Mrs. Catherine S. Boswell, R. N., Secretary.

We have had two meetings of the section this year. We have had very few active members in our section, but we are trying to encourage our inactive members to attend more meetings so that we can improve our section and make some accomplishments.

Report of the INSA Section of District Eighteen - Mrs. Rebecca Poythress, R. N., Chairman:

Other officer of the section is: Louise Ellington, R. N., Secretary. The section meets quarterly following the district meeting.

Functions Standards and Qualifications for Practice have been written and studied. Several members have attended institutes for the purpose of improving the section. The Rules for the section have been written and patterned after the NCSNA Rules.

Our chief problem is getting enough members together to have a meeting.

DISTRICT NINETEEN

Mrs. Irene P. Granger, R. N., President, Elizabeth City

Number of Meetings of District - 11

Membership - 26

Average Attendance - 12 to 14

Alumnae Associations - 0

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 4

Programs:

October 1954	Business meeting.
November 1954	Report of the NCSNA Convention.
December 1954	Christmas Program, Mrs. Augusta Sanderlin.
January 1955	"Herbs - Raising and Uses", Mrs. Leigh Sharp, Garden Club.
February 1955	Welcome to Miss Augusta Laxton, Director of Nursing, Albemarle Hospital; Mrs. Irene P. Granger, Dr. North, Reverend Ingram Forrest Jones.
March 1955	"United Nations", Mrs. Clyde Small, Delegate to the United Nations.
April 1955	"Federal and State Legislation", Mrs. Marie B. Noell, R. N., Executive Secretary, NCSNA. "Functions and Work of the Sections", Catherine B. Findlay, R. N., Assistant Executive Secretary, NCSNA.
May 1955	"Colors in Your Home", Mrs. Sara Riley.
June 1955	Banquet - Miss Jackson and Mr. Harshaw.
August 1955	Picnic.

Progress of District Activities:

Letters written to congressmen concerning legislation of importance to nurses and nursing.

One hospital has Social Security coverage.

There has been an increase in membership.

Members have talked to high school students and at "Career Days".

Members have talked to civic organizations.

Newspaper coverage of district meetings.

White stockings and fruit cakes have been sold to increase the financial status.

Donations made to Red Cross, T.B. Fund, and the Infantile Paralysis Foundation.



Gifts presented to sick members and officers leaving district.  
The district has one member who has received "honorary recognition".

Outstanding Problems:

Membership  
Attendance  
Finances

Problems Being Met By:

District activities.  
Membership campaign.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$149.92

DISTRICT TWENTY

Mrs. Mary Ruth Griffin, R. N., President, Rocky Mount

Number of Meetings of District - 9	Membership - 171
Average Attendance - 27	Alumnae Associations - 2
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 9	

Programs:

January 1955	Business meeting and installation of new officers.
February 1955	"Civil Defense", Mrs. Louise C. Shafer, R. N.
March 1955	"Physiotherapy", Mrs. Julia Britain, R. N., Physiotherapist, Rocky Mount.
April 1955	"Legislation", Julia Fisher, R. N.
May 1955	Film and discussion "Salk Vaccine", Dr. John Chamblee, Nash County Health Officer.
June 1955	Business and social meeting.
September 1955	"New Trends in Pediatrics", Dr. Dave Tayloe.

Established Sections:

Private Duty	Mrs. Louise C. Shafer, R. N., Chairman, 330 E. Fifth Street, Washington.
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Progress of District Activities:

Four hospitals have Social Security coverage.  
"Newsletters" and Bulletin Board posters used to urge non-members to join ANA.  
Local store featured a window done in the "Nursing Theme".  
One district program devoted to Civil Defense and the nurses' responsibility.  
Members active in civic clubs, church and scout work, PTA.

Outstanding Problems:

Membership.  
Lack of interest among members and non-members.

Problems Being Met By:

"Newsletter" to each member before each district meeting.  
Personal contacts.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$433.45



Report of the Private Duty Section of District Twenty - Mrs. Louise Shafer, R. N.,  
Chairman:

The Private Duty Section has approximately seventy-five members. There have been four meetings during the year with good attendance. The members have been active and interested in the work of the section, and work closely with the district.

The private duty nurses from Rocky Mount have been very active in the work of the section.

DISTRICT TWENTY-ONE

Mrs. Dorothy P. Ipock, R. N., President, Beaufort

Number of Meetings of District - 10	Membership - 64
Average Attendance - 30	Alumnae Associations - 1
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 2	

Programs:

December 1954	Christmas party.
January 1955	Activities of National Nurse Week. Guest, Mrs. Marie B. Noell, Executive Secretary, NCSNA.
February 1955	"Changes in Income Tax", articles from the <u>American Journal of Nursing</u> , Mrs. Anne Gause, R. N.
March 1955	Operations at Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune; Lt. Commander Erickson, R. N.
April 1955	"How to Further Understanding of Neurotics", Dr. Phillip Dixon.
May 1955	Film on Malnutrition, Lt. Commander Joliet, Cherry Point.
June 1955	Social meeting.
September 1955	"Civil Defense in Carteret County", Ruth Peeling.

Progress of District Activities:

Four hospitals covered by Social Security.  
Membership promoted by personal contacts.  
Members participated in "Career Day" at local high schools.  
One member teaches the Bed Bath and Making a Bed in the Beaufort High School.  
Newspaper coverage of district meetings and activities.

Outstanding Problems:

Finances.  
Section organization.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$138.00

DISTRICT TWENTY-TWO

Nell Dooley, R. N., President, Wrightsville Beach

Number of Meetings of District - 8	Membership - 173
Average Attendance - 22	Alumnae Associations - 2
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 4	

Programs:

December 1954	Christmas party.
February 1955	"Porta Caval Shunt", Dr. Horace Moore.





March 1955  
June 1955

"Mental Health", Reverend M. C. Dunn.  
Banquet - Graduating Class, James Walker Memorial Hospital.

Established Sections:

Private Duty

Mrs. Bevvie Taylor, R. N., Chairman, 3715 Stratford Boulevard, Wilmington.

Progress of District Activities:

Three hospitals covered by Social Security.

Membership promotion activities have met with poor results.

Newspaper coverage of meetings.

Three members have received "honorary recognition".

One member is a "life member" of NCSNA.

Donations of canned goods to Christmas basket along with other civic organizations.

Outstanding Problems:

Lack of interest.

Problems Being Met By:

Cards to members notifying them of time and place of district meetings.

Notices also in newspaper.

DISTRICT TWENTY-THREE

Ronda Stimpson, R. N., President, Sylva

Number of Meetings of District - 10

Membership - 16

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 6

Alumnae Associations - 0

Programs:

September 1954

Student Nurses, Mrs. Ella Carter.

October 1954

"Nurse Recruitment", Mrs. T. D. Slagle.

November 1954

"Student Nurse Recruitment", Elizabeth L. Kemble, R. N.,  
Dean, University of North Carolina School of Nursing,  
Chapel Hill.

December 1954

Report of NCSNA Convention, Mrs. Margaret Roper, R. N.

February 1955

"WHO in India", Evelyn Davis, R. N.

March 1955

"The Responsibility of the Public Health Nurse in Caring  
for the Mentally Ill", Dr. Kahn.

May 1955

Film "Midwifery".

July 1955

"The Nurse and Understanding Suffering", Reverend Ray E.  
Bell.

August 1955

"Emotional Health", Mrs. Elizabeth L. McMahan.

September 1955

"Heart Disease", Dr. Oliver.

Progress of District Activities:

All prospective new members contacted personally.

Programs on recruitment and student nurses contacted personally.

Part of one program devoted to Civil Defense.

One member talked to civic organizations on Public Health Services.

Outstanding Problems:

Membership.

Lack of interest.

Problems Being Met By:

Regular meetings.



Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$37.77

DISTRICT TWENTY-FOUR

Mrs. Worda B. Parker, R. N., President, Ahoskie

Membership - 33

Alumnae Associations - 0

Programs:

April 1955

"NCSNA Program of Work", Mrs. Marie B. Noell, Executive Secretary, NCSNA; Catherine B. Findlay, Assistant Executive Secretary, NCSNA.

Established Sections:

General Duty

Marie Chitty, R. N., Chairman, 304 McGlahon Street, Ahoskie.

Private Duty

Mrs. Elsie Friddle, R. N., Chairman, Winton.

DISTRICT TWENTY-FIVE

Mrs. Gwyn Warren, R. N., President, North Wilkesboro

Number of Meetings of District - 9

Membership - 21

Average Attendance - 15

Alumnae Associations - 0

Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 2

Programs:

March 1955

"How We May Help the Blind and Deaf Patients in our Hospitals" general discussion.

May 1955

Skit "What It Was Was Nursing Arts", Audrey Thomas, R. N.

August 1955

Film "Korea", Dr. Henry Landon.

Progress of District Activities:

Three hospitals have Social Security coverage.

All new nurses invited to attend district meetings with transportation provided.

Outstanding Problems:

Getting nurses to attend from Ashe and Allegheny Counties.

Problems Being Met By:

Dinner meeting in West Jefferson and other towns.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - - - - - \$34.00

REPORTS OF ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

DISTRICT ONE

FIVE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

APPALACHIAN HALL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Rose Mary Phillips, R. N., President, Asheville

No Report

HIGHLAND HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Rebecca Smith, R. N., President, Asheville

No Report



MEMORIAL MISSION ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mary Robinson, R. N., President, Asheville

No Report

MERITWEATHER ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Sara Vaughn, R. N., President, Canton

No Report

MOUNTAIN SANATORIUM ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Frank Carruth, R. N., President, Landrum, S. C.

No Report

DISTRICT TWO

TWO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

GRACE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Betty W. Smith, R. N., President, Morganton

No Report

RUTHERFORD ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Virginia Harris, R. N., President, Rutherfordton

The Rutherford Alumnae Association has had monthly meetings held on second Thursday of every month with the exception of July and August. Each meeting is opened with a devotional service - annual picnic in June with the graduating class of Rutherford School of Nursing as special guests; Christmas party in December. The Association has a membership of forty with a good attendance at meetings.

Our programs have been varied consisting of films, panel discussions, open discussion, guest speakers and musicals.

Donations made by the Association during the year are as follows: Dr. Crawford Memorial Fund, Student Nurse Foan Fund; Building Fund for Nurses Home Extension and Gideon Bible Fund.

Members have helped at the Blood Bank, attended district meetings and was Hostess to District Two of NCSNA in April. Our project for raising extra money this year was a "rummage sale".

DISTRICT THREE

FIVE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

CITY MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Venus Faircloth, R. N., President, Winston-Salem

The Association has had seven meetings with an average attendance of nineteen and a total membership of one hundred and forty.

Officers for 1955 are: Venus Faircloth, R. N., President; Mrs. Ruth Green Harris, R. N., First Vice President; Bernice Pratt, R. N., Second Vice President; Mrs. Katherine D. Sutton, R. N., Secretary; and Mary Reavis, R. N., Treasurer.

Activities of the Association: sent president to the 1954 Annual Convention of NCSNA; donations - \$5 to Salvation Army and \$5 to Tuberculosis Seals; renewal of magazine subscriptions for sick members; renewal of subscriptions for student nurses plus some incidental gifts for nurses' home; remembered sick members with gifts.

The highlight of the year was a most successful "Homecoming" held in November 1954, the anniversary of our school of nursing. The event attracted 229 graduates





out of a total of 560 graduates of the school as of November 1954. Plans have been made for a second homecoming to be held at the September 1955 meeting.

The December meeting was a Christmas party with exchange of gifts and the February meeting was a Valentine party held at the home of the President. The Association honored the forty-two members of the Graduating Class in August with a picnic and upon graduation (August 1955) presented them with their "graduate cap". At this picnic honorary membership was conferred on Miss Naomi Beery, Director of Nursing, City Memorial Hospital.

KATE BITTING REYNOLDS MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Annie T. Carpenter, R. N., President, Winston-Salem

The Kate Bitting Reynolds Alumnae Association is proud to boast that its attendance increased fifty per cent. Meetings are held the third Tuesday night in each month in the classroom of the nurses' home.

Most of the programs outlined for the year have been supported successfully by each member taking part and sharing the program as it was outlined. We lost several members during the year (by death) which lowered our spirits, but at the same time encouraged us to work for a better organization. We are also proud to say that this year 94 per cent of our members joined NCSNA and the ANA through District Three.

Our donations for the fiscal year are: a donation to one of our 1953 graduates for educational purposes; a prize to the student in the graduating class for the highest scholastic average; a set of crystal to the student nurses' home; new books for the School of Nursing Library; a laundry dryer to the student nurses' home laundry room as a Christmas gift. The Association also sent a delegate from the alumnae association to the NCSNA Annual Convention and contributed to the students expense in attending the National Student Nurses Meeting.

The highlight of the year was our annual homecoming event honoring the graduating class and out-of-town members. Our guest speaker at the Annual Homecoming was a member of the first class to graduate in the history of the hospital.

The officers of the Association are: Mrs. Annie T. Carpenter, President; Mrs. D. S. Mitchell, First Vice President; Miss M. Cobb, Second Vice President; Mrs. Nannie Woodruff, Secretary; Mrs. R. R. Walker, Corresponding Secretary; and Mrs. R. T. Campbell, Treasurer.

LAWRENCE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Carnelia Merritt, R. N., President, Winston-Salem

No Report

MARTIN MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Polly Simmons, R. N., President, Winston-Salem

The Martin Memorial Alumnae Association has monthly meetings held on the third Thursday night. The Association has a membership of 73.

Activities of the Association: gave a Bible to each of the last ten transfer students; sold nurses cook books realizing \$237.00; and had our annual banquet and tea in June.



Officers are: Mrs. Pauline G. Simmons, R. N., President; Mrs. Ila B. Chilton, R. N., First Vice President; Katherine B. Parris, R. N., Second Vice President; Erleen M. Gant, R. N., Secretary; and Mrs. Edith G. Webster, R. N., Treasurer.

#### NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Mary Joe Brookbank, R. N., President, Winston-Salem

The Association has 119 active members with an average attendance of twelve. The programs for the year were varied.

Officers for 1955 are: Mrs. Mary Joe Brookbank, R. N., President; Dot Inscore, R. N., First Vice President; Ruth Harrison, R. N., Second Vice President; Mrs. Opal K. Furches, R. N., Secretary; Mrs. Mary Wray Fulton, R. N., Treasurer; and Annie Smith, R. N., Ann Casstevens, R. N., Ruby West, R. N., and Mary Emma Rhodes, R. N., Members of Board of Directors.

Activities of the Association: have two loan funds for student nurses - namely, the Edna L. Heinzerling Loan Fund and the Stimpson Roddick Loan Fund; gave a monthly subscription to a book club to the Student Nurses' Library; presented a \$5.00 Christmas check to each of the two student nurses using loan funds; gave a gift to Mrs. Frances Horne Smith and Edna L. Heinzerling while they were ill; gave a donation on a piano for the nurses' home; gave a gift to each member of the Graduating Class; and published a quarterly Newsletter.

#### DISTRICT FOUR

#### THREE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

##### DAVIS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Mabel Reynolds, R. N., President, Statesville

The Davis Hospital Alumnae Association has a membership of one hundred and six. We have had seven meetings this year with an average attendance of twenty-two members, plus two called meetings for officers and committee members.

One Nightengale Pledge Plaque was presented to the senior nurse with the highest scholastic record, and one to the senior with the best ward technique, by the Alumnae Association.

Association activities: Sent flowers to all sick members; mailed newsletter to all paid members quarterly; renewed subscription to the magazine "Seventeen" for student nurses; several members of the alumnae volunteered their services in helping to assist doctors in giving polio vaccine, and helped with health clinics held in public schools; nurses participated in the Civil Defense Program; and had an auction sale in May.

##### H. F. LONG'S ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Marilee Pharr, R. N., President, Statesville

Officers for 1955 are as follows: Mrs. Marilee Pharr, President; Mrs. Ruth Thompson, Vice President; Mrs. Elizabeth James, Secretary; and Mrs. Mildred Turner, Treasurer.

Our Association has seventeen members, one non-resident and four honorary members. We have had nine meetings in the homes of members with an average attendance of fifteen.



Association activities: realized \$90.00 from a bingo party; donations - \$10.00 to the Red Cross; \$5.00 to the March of Dimes; and sent \$10.00 to Miss Dorothy Dagenhart in Pakistan, India, one of our graduates now doing missionary work there; and sent flowers in case of death in a member's family and remembered members when sick.

Our Alumnae Association was organized in 1905. We celebrated our "50th Anniversary" with a Homecoming in June at the Country Club, with over one hundred graduates being present. Miss Maggie Moose, our first graduate and the oldest registered nurse in North Carolina and head of the Long's Hospital for a number of years, was able to be with us.

#### LOWRANCE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Norma G. Barber, R. N., President, Salisbury

Officers of the Lowrance Alumnae Association are: Mrs. Norma G. Barber, R. N., President; Mrs. Willis Shumaker, R. N., Vice President; Mrs. Clement E. Pless, R. N., Secretary; and Mrs. Phillip Mack, R. N., Treasurer.

The Association has had ten regular meetings during the year with an average attendance of twenty-five. Interesting programs have stimulated interest among the members and has increased attendance.

The programs consisted of: Motion picture films of North Carolina and Europe; book review; work of the T. B. Association by the Secretary of Iredell County T. B. Association; and the Alcoholic Anonymous Association gave a program on their work and how they assist each other. A Christmas party was held for members and their husbands. The August meeting was an annual picnic.

Delegates were sent to NCSNA Convention in Durham. Flowers and cards were sent to the alumnae members who were sick during the year. Alumnae members assisted with the polio clinic and blood bank.

A memorial room in the new wing of the hospital was furnished by the Alumnae Association. A Homecoming Tea was given by the Association in October, 1954, for the members and guests. Monthly gifts were donated by the hostesses in order to raise money for our treasury.

#### DISTRICT FIVE

#### EIGHT ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

##### CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Loree J. Fincher, R. N., President, Charlotte

No Report

##### CHARLOTTE SANATORIUM ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Montrose Austin, R. N., President, Charlotte

The Charlotte Sanatorium Alumnae has held nine meetings with an average attendance of twenty to twenty-five .

The programs have been educational and social. Our project for the year has been the establishing of the Josephine Kerr Student Nurse Loan Fund. This Fund honoring Miss Kerr was made possible by contributions from alumnae members and friends of Miss Kerr. The Fund now totals more than \$600.







Through the means of the above Loan Fund, and a previously established Lucy Walton Nurse Loan Fund, seven young women have financed their nursing education in the past seven years. Three young women are currently using loans from the two funds.

GASTON MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Elizabeth Kinlaw, R. N., President, Gastonia

Officers of the Gaston Memorial Alumnae Association are: Mrs. Elizabeth B. Kinlaw, R. N., President; Mrs. Dorothy M. Stewart, R. N., Vice President; Katherine Spencer, R. N., Secretary; and Mrs. Christine B. Wood, R. N., Treasurer.

Meetings of the association are held the first Monday of each month (except during June, July, and August) at the graduate nurses' home and in individual homes.

Activities of the Association during 1955: Cards and flowers were sent to all members and to those with new arrivals; an electric percolator was presented to the graduate house for the kitchen; flowers were sent to the capping and graduation exercises; a project was started, that of framing the pictures of the capping and graduation exercises of each class and hanging them in the student library; and picnic supper was served to members and escorts in May.

Our alumnae news is published in the hospital paper "The Capsule". Copies are sent to all resident and non-resident members.

Outstanding programs of the Year:

1. Mrs. Torbin Seear, staff physician's wife, spoke on home life in Norway, her homeland. Senior students and other staff members were invited to this program.
2. Miss Ruth Gibson, R. N., missionary nurse to Colombia, South America, spoke about her work in the primitive areas of Colombia.
3. Mr. J. M. Holland, Jr., hospital attorney, spoke about legal aspects of nursing.
4. Junior student nurses put on skit and dance.

GOOD SAMARITAN ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Ruth H. Samuels, R. N., President, Charlotte

The meetings of the Good Samaritan Alumnae Association are held the third Wednesday of each month in the home of various members. The first meeting of the year is held in September at which time new officers are elected.

The officers are: Mrs. Ruth H. Samuels, R. N., President; Mrs. Rose Jones, Vice President; Mrs. Pearl Maxwell, Secretary; Mrs. Amanda Eason, Treasurer. The membership consist of twenty-two active members and non-resident members.

Activities of the association: an annual Florence Nightingale Metal is given to a student of each graduating class for the year in acknowledgement of ability in leadership; an annual basketball trophy is presented to the best-all-around player; an annual Loving Cup in honor of the best student in surgery of the graduating class; a basket of groceries is given to a needy family at Christmas; flowers



were sent to all sick members and to the family of one deceased member; and donations were given to various civic drives.

One of the projects for the incoming year is to decorate a room on the obstetrical ward of the Good Samaritan Hospital.

#### MERCY ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Carolyn Westbrook, R. N., President, Charlotte

The monthly meetings of the Mercy Alumnae Association are held on the first Monday of each month with the exception of July, August, and September. The meetings are held in the Nurses' Home Auditorium with active membership of 180.

The officers for 1955 are: President; Mrs. Carolyn M. Westbrook, First Vice President; Miss Margaret Wingate, Second Vice President; Mrs. R. E. Casey, Secretary; Miss Evelyn Parnell, Treasurer; and Mrs. Mary Ann Carpenter.

During October and November a Yuletide Musical was planned and was presented by the student nurses in December. The proceeds were \$194.00, which was divided between the students and the scholarship fund. In December, at the annual meeting, officers were installed and the Sisters entertained with a Christmas dinner. Each member brought food to be distributed among needed families by the Health Department

#### Programs and activities for 1955:

January - A film on "Parliamentary Procedures" was shown primarily for the benefit of the incoming officers.

February - Miss Mary Hayes, Health Educator with the city schools, spoke on "Our Role as Nurses and Parents in Modern Philosophy of Sex Education".

March - Doctor Kingsley McDonald spoke on "Civil Defense". This stimulated much interest among the nurses, and at that time several nurses volunteered to help with the Civil Defense work. On March 17, a benefit bridge party was given with an afternoon and night session. The proceeds were \$205.00, of which \$126.00 was given to the scholarship fund.

April - The students from the Obstetrical Department presented a panel discussion with posters on the different departments of Obstetrics and its functions. This month \$50.00 was raised selling Stanley products by the Association.

May - Miss Ann Parrish, Fashion Editor of the Charlotte Observer, gave a review on modern fashions. An alumnae newspaper, "Alumnae Review" was mailed to all hospital graduates. The Association gave the student nurses \$12.50 for an ad in their annual.

June - The bylaws of the scholarship fund were revised and presented to the alumnae members for approval. On June 23, the Association entertained twenty-four graduates with a swimming party and picnic.

Dues for membership in the ANA were paid by the alumnae for the Director of Nurses and the Hospital Administrator. A delegate was sent to the NCSNA Annual Convention. Cards were sent to all ill or bereaved nurses and families. Flowers were sent to the immediate family of the bereaved nurses. We have continued our desire for new members this year by stimulating interest in our programs and activities.





PRESBYTERIAN ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Gwendolyn Chapman, R. N., President, Charlotte

The Presbyterian Alumnae Association, with an active membership of 193 and one honorary member, Miss Mary Belle May, has held nine regular meetings.

Officers for 1955 are: Mrs. Gwendolyn Chapman, President; Mrs. Jerry Talbert, First Vice President; Miss Emma Jane Sloop, Second Vice President; Mrs. Sally Rhyne, Secretary; Mrs. Roy Troutman, Treasurer; and Miss Sue Edwards, Miss Betty Weaver, Mrs. Gladys Downs, and Mrs. Mildred Long, Directors.

Projects: Luncheon honoring the Graduating Class at Kuesters; publication of "The Alumnae News"; homecoming Day climaxed by a baby show and picnic supper on the hospital campus; awarding of the Alumnae Pin to Miss Norah Welch; awarding of \$50.00 awards to two deserving graduates; sold every day cards and Christmas paper; canasta party - benefit; shower for alumnae member after her home burned; and cards to sick, flowers and memorium for deceased members.

Outstanding programs: talk - "Trip to Scotland" - Donald McDonald, an Observer reporter and writer; lecture - "Anesthesia" by Dr. Ausherman, Anesthetist at Presbyterian Hospital; talk - "Religious Education"; and talk - "Tour to ELI LILLY Co.", a member.

The annual Christmas party was held following the December business meeting. The Association has had a very active and enjoyable year.

ST. PETER'S ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Day Chapman, R. N., President, Charlotte

Officers of the Association are: Miss Day Chapman, R. N., President; Mrs. Elva C. Smith, R. N., Secretary; Mrs. Lillian Youngblood, R. N., Vice President; and Rosabel McIntosh, R. N., Treasurer.

We have forty-nine members of which forty are active. Nine meetings were held during the year. A Christmas party was held in December. The annual picnic was held the first week in September with a short business meeting.

Projects and activities: a rummage sale and luncheon was held during the summer; \$50.00, last payment of student loan fund, was paid; \$25.00 was paid to the Nalle Clinic Foundation; a \$7.00 Christmas gift was given to student nurse; donations - \$16.00 given to Alumnae Association; and flowers and cards were sent to sick and bereaved members.

Balance in treasury - \$400.00, bonds \$150.00

SHELBY HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Frances McCurry, R. N., President, Shelby

No Report

DISTRICT SIX

TWO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

CABARRUS MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Flora Corbett, R. N., President, Concord

No Report





ROWAM MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Lillian H. Sides, R. N., President, Salisbury

No Report

DISTRICT SEVEN

ONE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

LEAKSVILLE HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Catherine Hambrick, R. N., President, Leaksville

No Report

DISTRICT EIGHT

NO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

DISTRICT NINE

ONE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

HIGH POINT MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Estelle Hauser, R. N., President, High Point

No Report

DISTRICT TEN

NO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

DISTRICT ELEVEN

FOUR ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

DUKE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Sara Pritchett, R. N., President, Durham

In brief the objectives of this organization are to encourage good fellowship among Alumnae members, to stimulate mutual help and improvement of school graduates, to cooperate with District, State and ANA for promotion and advancement of Nursing.

Nine regular meetings were held during the year, and in the following ways the Association has worked toward the objectives and counts these accomplishments:

1. At the State Nurses Meeting in October the Alumnae Association and Duke Hospital gave a tea which was attended by a large number of guests.
2. Alumnae recognized all new graduates on finishing dates with presentation of their pin and a red rose to wear on the new white uniform.
3. Magazine and newspaper subscriptions were furnished for the school library.
4. Fund raising projects included a bridge benefit and selling stationery with a picture of Duke Hospital.
5. Attendance increased with meetings being held in members homes.
6. Newsletters were mailed to about 850 Alumnae members in all parts of the United States and some foreign countries.
7. Miss Florence Wilson, retiring Dean, was honored at a meeting and was presented a gift.
8. Three honorary memberships were conferred. These were Miss Lelia Clark, Director of Nursing Service; Mrs. Mayme Hampton, Formula Room Nurse; and Miss Ann Jacobansky, Dean of the School of Nursing.



9. Two of the most interesting programs were a talk and slides shown from her trip to Spain and Portugal by Miss Thelma Ingles, member of the faculty; and a talk on Formosa and exhibit of objects of interest brought from his two year stay in Formosa by Mr. Ross Porter, Hospital Superintendent. This latter meeting was at the home of Mrs. W. W. Eagle, honorary member.

High lights of social activities included:

1. Christmas Sing in the Hospital Amphitheater and donations for a gift for the Pediatric Department.

2. Entertainment at Mrs. Bayard Carter's cabin which included dinner, games, prizes, fun for all.

3. A Buffet Supper in Hanes House for Graduating Seniors with Miss Florence K. Wilson, former Dean as guest speaker. This was enjoyed by Seniors, other guests, honorary members and Alumnae. New officers were announced at this meeting.

LINCOLN HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Helen N. Welsh, R. N., President, Durham

No Report

UNC SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Martha Y. Cline, R. N., President, Chapel Hill

The UNC School of Nursing Alumnae Association was organized in June 1955. Plans for the activities for the coming year are now being considered.

The officers for 1955 are: Mrs. Martha Yount Cline, R. N., President; Mrs. Mary Anderson Leggett, R. N., Vice President; Mrs. Winnie Williams Cotton, R. N., Secretary and Treasurer; and Mrs. Patsy Colvard Johnson, R. N., Editor and Record Officer.

WATTS HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Rebecca Roberts, R. N., President, Durham

No Report

DISTRICT TWELVE

NO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

DISTRICT THIRTEEN

FOUR ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

DOROTHEA DIX ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Dorothy Honeycutt, R. N., President, Raleigh

The Dorothea Dix Alumnae Association has had nine meetings with two outside speakers. Average attendance has been nineteen. There are 62 paid members.

Achievements: Farewell gifts to seven departing members; gifts sent to ill members or associates - two; flowers for illnesses and funeral wreaths - twenty-three; gifts for newborn babies - four; entertained District Thirteen at Christmas Party; entertained Sir Walter Cabinet in February at a Tea; entertained members of Welfare Department of Raleigh Woman's Club in February at a Tea; sent president or a delegate to NCSNA Annual Convention in Durham in October, 1954, with all expenses paid; one member attended American Psychiatric Association Meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota; four members attended Conference for Section Members in



Durham in May, 1955; and incurred eighteen new and renewed subscriptions to AJN.

Financial status: All bills paid to date. Balance on hand \$130.33

MARY ELIZABETH ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Louema Powers, R. N., President, Raleigh

The Mary Elizabeth Alumnae Association has held nine meetings with both social and business meetings.

Activities of the Association: Members were remembered during sickness with cards, flowers and telegrams; a shower of presents was given to an unfortunate member; Christmas cards were sold by each member; and gifts and donations were given to the Raleigh Salvation Army.

Once a year a Home Coming Banquet Dinner is given with the Hospital Staff as guests.

REX ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Luna G. Adams, R. N., President, Raleigh

Officers of the Rex Hospital Alumnae Association are: Mrs. Luna G. Adams, R. N., President; Mrs. Grace Wright Collie, R. N., First Vice President; Mrs. Sarah Keese, R. N., Second Vice President; Mrs. Meta Montaleon, R. N., Secretary; Mrs. Effie McCullers, R. N., Treasurer; and Mrs. Sally Rhodes, R. N., Mrs. Annie W. Johnson, R. N., Mrs. T. M. Phillips, R. N., and Miss Alma Kermon, R. N., are Directors.

The Association has a total membership of 109. Three meetings of the Board of Directors, two committee meetings, and nine general meetings have been held with an average attendance of fourteen per cent. There seemed to be unusual interest among the members attending meetings.

Home Coming, an annual celebration was attended by 82 members. They began to arrive at 3:00 o'clock at the Daniels House where a coffee hour was held and registration took place. The Nurses' Home was beautifully decorated by members of the Association. After registration was completed husbands and friends joined the members for a most enjoyable banquet. Following the banquet we were entertained with a wonderful program by the Rex Student Nurses, Paul Hoover and Eddie Woodell.

The memory of Mrs. Bessie Mordecai, R. N., of the Class of 1896, was honored by the arrangement of a lovely memorial table. She was a member of the first graduating class of Rex Hospital School of Nursing and a Charter Member of the Alumnae Association.

Report of Meetings:

October 1954	Meeting held at Daniels House. Plans were made for the Annual Home Coming.
November 1954	Annual Home Coming.
December 1954	Meeting held at the Daniels House. Officers of the Association elected.
January 1955	Monthly meeting held at the Daniels House. Discussed Parliamentary Procedures.
February 1955	Meeting held at the Daniels House. A Sunshine Basket was planned to be given to an ill member, Mrs. Alice Gill, R. N.





March 1955 Mrs. Lillian Roberts, R. N., entertained at her home on 2224 Circle Drive, Raleigh, N. C.

April 1955 Meeting held at the Daniels House. Selection of student nurse to receive Annual Scholarship Award.

May 1955 Mrs. Luna Adams, R. N., entertained at her home on 1206 Clifton Street, Raleigh, N. C.

September 1955 Monthly meeting held at the Daniels House. Mrs. Sarah Hitchcock, Assistant Director of Nurses at Rex Hospital, discussed with the group ways and means of Alumnae Association to better aid student nurses in understanding their Association and helping them to realize that Alumnae Association is ready to aid them at any time in any of their projects.

ST. AGNES HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Laura E. Kelly, R. N., President, Raleigh

The officers of the St. Agnes Hospital Alumnae Association are: Mrs. Laura E. Kelly, R. N., President; Mrs. Martha A. Parks, R. N., Vice President; Mrs. Ludell Delaney, R. N., Secretary; and Mrs. Bessie B. Smith, R. N., Treasurer.

On December 17, 1954, the Alumnae gave a social tea in honor of one of St. Agnes' oldest graduates, Mrs. Claudia W. Brown, who is still active in nursing. She was presented a gift by the president.

On June 6, 1955, the Alumnae Association presented awards to the most efficient graduates, and a school pin to Mrs. Claudia Brown of the class of 1899.

DISTRICT FOURTEEN

ONE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

HIGHSMITH HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Elizabeth Yarborough, R. N., President, Fayetteville

Officers of the Highsmith Hospital Alumnae Association are: Mrs. Elizabeth Yarborough, R. N., President; Miss Mae Nordan, R. N., First Vice President; Mrs. Ruby Norton, R. N., Second Vice President; Mrs. Lorene Smith, R. N., Secretary; and Mrs. Vennie Geddie, R. N., Treasurer.

The Association has forty-eight paid members. There has been eleven meetings with an average attendance of eighteen.

Programs for the year included: "This Thing Called Stress"; pianist; ballet solo, selections done in pantomime; solist; movie on nature; and movie on roses.

Our second Homecoming was held in October 1954 with approximately one hundred present. Plans were made to have a Homecoming every three years. A renewal to the Book-of-the-Month Club was given to the student nurses. A picture displayer was purchased for approximately \$120.00 in which to place pictures of all graduating classes. A Christmas basket was given to a needy family. Memoriams were sent to bereaved members. Cards were sent to members when ill. The Graduating Class was entertained at a Barbecue Dinner.

DISTRICT FIFTEEN

ONE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION



ROBESON COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Vonnie M. Norment, R. N., President, Lumberton

The Robeson County Memorial Hospital Alumnae Association has held ten meetings and has an enrollment of seventy-three members.

Officers of the Association are: Vonnie M. Norment, R. N., President; Margaret Strickland, R. N., First Vice President; Mary Stocks, R. N., Second Vice President; Pearl S. Sessoms, R. N., Treasurer; Emily H. Phillips, R. N., Secretary; and Elizabeth Drawdy, R. N., Ruby G. Barnes, R. N., Elua B. Williams, R. N., and Margaret C. Willoughby, R. N., Directors.

The following programs have been very interesting:

October 1954	Dr. J. A. Moore, "Dental Care."
November 1954	Report of Annual NCSNA Convention, Eula E. Rackley. Report of Student Nurse Association Convention, Ida Sue Falls.
December 1954	Christmas party, covered dish supper.
January 1955	Business meeting.
February 1955	Report of Institute held at Bowman Gray Hospital, Winston-Salem, on "Geriatrics and the Nursing Care of the Patient" by two student nurses, Mary Ellen Nelson and Doris Leigh Kinlaw.
March 1955	Film, "A Day With Cerebral Palsy".
April 1955	Reverend E. R. Lineberger, "Religion and Health".
May 1955	Film, "The Recovery Room".
June 1955	Picnic supper and business meeting.
September 1955	Dr. Marie Rhyne, "Psychology and Child Care".

The projects for the year are: donation of \$50.00 for the School of Nursing Library; added six reference books to library; and paid expenses of a student nurse to the Annual State Convention; sent cards to sick and bereaved members; had party; and presented gifts to members of Graduating Class.

Balance in Treasury, \$182.48.

DISTRICT SIXTEEN

NO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

DISTRICT SEVENTEEN

ONE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

ROANOKE RAPIDS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
Mrs. Retha C. Shearin, R. N., President, Roanoke Rapids

The Roanoke Rapids Hospital Alumnae Association has forty-seven members. Meetings have been held once each month except June, July, and August.

The programs consisted of routine business, interesting lectures by members of the medical profession and various other speakers. Also current nursing news from the NCSNA Headquarters' and progress in the nursing profession were discussed at each meeting. Each meeting was followed by a social hour, which was enjoyed by members.

The Association sponsored their annual Christmas party for all Alumnae members in December at which time members exchanged gifts. The annual Alumnae picnic was held in June and enjoyed by all.



Gifts and donations: contributed to the support of a needy person at Christmas; entertained the Graduating Class in May - each new graduate was presented a gift; sent flowers to all nurses' families in case of bereavement and cards to all nurses during illness; and gave \$25.00 to one of our sick members at Christmas.

Plans are being made for a Homecoming on November 12, 1955.

Balance in Treasury, \$131.80

#### DISTRICT EIGHTEEN

#### THREE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

##### CAROLINA GENERAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Lucile L. Wilkerson, R. N., President, Wilson

Officers of the Carolina General Alumnae Association are: Mrs. Lucile L. Wilkerson, R. N., President; Mrs. Ralph Ballance, R. N., First Vice President; Margaret Coleman, R. N., Second Vice President; Nelda Pittman, R. N., Secretary; and Mrs. Sarah K. Smith, R. N., Treasurer.

The Carolina General Alumnae Association has held nine regular meetings with an average attendance of twenty members. The total membership is forty-two.

The meetings during the year have been interesting, well planned, with well presented programs.

Achievements: sent get well cards to all sick members; gave donations to the Cancer Drive, Polio and Heart Funds; gave a liberal donation to two Alumnae members because of prolonged illness; gave a donation to the Wilson School of Nursing for the purchasing of basketball suits; entertained the Graduating Class of the Wilson School of Nursing, the Woodard-Herring Alumnae and the Wilson School of Nursing Alumnae, with a formal banquet and dance.

##### WILSON SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Hilda Pittman, R. N., President, Wilson

No Report

##### WOODARD-HERRING ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Lois M. Tipton, R. N., President, Wilson

The officers of the Woodard-Herring Alumnae Association are: Mrs. Lois M. Tipton, R. N., President; Mrs. Sarah Kirby, R. N., Vice President; Mrs. Betty Stuart, R. N., Secretary; Mrs. Dora Holly, R. N., Treasurer.

The Association has a membership of thirty-three. Projects: \$20.00 for students basketball uniforms; Christmas newsletter; needy family at Christmas; and Community Chest.

The Association has the following committees: Registry, Credentials and Membership, American Journal of Nursing, and Flower and Gifts.

Treasury report: balance on hand, \$106.00

#### DISTRICT NINETEEN

#### NO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS





DISTRICT TWENTY

TWO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

PARK VIEW ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Julia Dupree, R. N., President, Rocky Mount

The Park View Hospital Alumnae Association has a membership of seventy-two with an average attendance of twenty-two.

Activities are as follows: members volunteered their services during the administration of the polio vaccine; had annual family picnic jointly with the nurses from Sanitarium, inviting all other graduates employed in Rocky Mount; gave gifts to members of Graduating Class; sent cards to all members who were ill and gifts to those hospitalized; sent flowers to bereaved members; and placed a book in the local library in memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Greene Petway.

The program for the monthly meetings has consisted mostly of guest speakers, the majority of which were doctors.

ROCKY MOUNT SANITARIUM ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Mildred V. Dawes, R. N., President, Rocky Mount

The Rocky Mount Sanitarium Alumnae Association, with a membership of thirty, has had monthly meetings during the year except during the summer months. Each meeting consisted of business, committee reports and a social period. Prominent members of the medical profession in this community have been special speakers at the monthly meetings. More members seem to attend when meetings are held in the homes and with special speakers. Dr. Julian Brock, spoke to the group and gave a most enlightening talk on the Salk Vaccine. A city public health nurse spoke to the group about the new City Health Department and its services to the public. The interesting programs have improved our attendance almost ninety per cent.

A Christmas party was held in December at one of the member's home. The Association sponsored a joint family picnic with Park View Alumnae Association in June. Members of the Alumnae Association were hostesses at the regular meeting of District Twenty of the NCSNA twice during the year.

The constitution and bylaws were revised and made available in booklet form to all the members of this Alumnae. They were discussed at one of the monthly meetings. Delegates were sent to the NCSNA Convention in October 1954.

Donations have been made to various civic drives. Flowers and cards have been sent to all doctors and members who have been sick and bereaved.

The Association has been busy in every way to try to improve our meetings and to help our hospital and community as a whole.

DISTRICT TWENTY-ONE

ONE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

LENOIR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Helen A. Tilghman, R. N., President, Kinston

No Report

DISTRICT TWENTY-TWO

TWO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS



COMMUNITY ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Mildred Floyd, R. N., President, Wilmington

The Community Hospital Alumnae Association met successfully for the first time during the fiscal year in February 22, 1955, with four members present. Four meetings were held during the year.

Projects for the year includes the following: infirmary for the students, which was a great success; purchase of a TV lamp for the Nurses' Home; \$10.00 to aid in sending a student to the State Nurses Meeting; gift to the graduating student with the highest scholastic average. The Alumnae Association in Washington, D. C., a branch of the Association here, donated a Gordon Armstrong Incubator to the Pediatric Department in Community Hospital. This branch has five active members. The new graduates were entertained by the Association with a buffet supper given in their honor. Eight new members joined.

Our greatest problem is trying to get the members to attend meetings of the Association and to take an active part in what we are doing. We feel that if their interest is maintained here, they will more readily join the NCSNA.

JAMES WALKER MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Dorothy H. Ballard, R. N., President, Wilmington

The activities and projects of the James Walker Memorial Alumnae Association are as follows: in December the Association presented food and gifts to a needy family, and a TV set to the John C. Wesley T. B. Sanitarium. (2) In January a membership drive was carried out, and plans were made for a Homecoming for the spring of 1956. (3) During the month of May the Alumnae Association joined District Twenty-Two in giving a banquet in honor of the 1955 Graduating Class. Also in May, the Alumnae Association presented a scholastic scholarship award pin to a member of the senior class at the Graduating Exercise. (4) In September the Alumnae gave a reception to the pre-clinical class entering the James Walker Hospital School of Nursing.

DISTRICT TWENTY-THREE

NO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

DISTRICT TWENTY-FOUR

NO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

DISTRICT TWENTY-FIVE

NO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS











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